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NEGRO BANDITS HOLD UP BANK MESSENGER

Texas Ranger Movement Hidden In Secrecy

Lets Make Mexia A City Of Trees

By BEN F. STOLLENWERCK
(Before the Rotary Social Gathering Thursday Night).

I have been asked to give the "only serious address" of the evening and I have been notified that I would have ten minutes to talk about trees and tree planting. I am going to give you the happiest disappointment of your lives by lacking about eight minutes of doing what I was told to do and will hand you back the time in which to have a real good time, which you cannot do listening to a speech by me on trees.

Any town or city that builds up along strictly commercial lines, looking only to profits and dollars and cents with which to buy artificial luxuries descends in the scale to the work shop and loses the greatest charm that can come to either house or city, that of being a home. A home is a place you love, as being intertwined with memories of mother, childhood and the tender memories of early life. There can be no such thing as home without beauty. Things beautiful are first things of nature, then things of art. All true art is simply a portrayal of the beauties of nature, be it music, sculpture, or painting. Two of the greatest beauties in nature are trees and flowers. We can have them both right in the midst of our hum drum town and city life, and that without much expenditure of money. So cheap in fact that they are within the reach of the most humble.

David, the great poet of Israel, in the first chapter of his matchless Psalms, in describing God's greatest creation, a righteous man likened him to a tree saying "He shall be like a tree, planted by the rivers of water." Longfellow, in making a perfect setting for that classic that will live forever, "The Village Blacksmith", in order to give it a perfect setting began with a scene under a "spreading chesnut tree."

Trees

The groves were God's first temples. Ere man learned
To hew the shaft, and lay the architrave,
And spread the roof above them,—ere he framed
The lofty vault, to gather and roll back
The sound of anthems; in the darkling wood,
Amidst the cool and silence, he knelt down
And offered to the Mightiest solemn thanks
And supplications.—Bryant, A Forest Hymn.
No tree in all the grove but has its charms,
Though each its hue peculiar.—Cowper, The Task.
And all amid them stood the tree of life
High, eminent, blooming ambrosial fruit
Of vegetable gold.—Milton's Paradise Lost.
Spreading himself like a green bay-tree - Psalms XXXVII 35.
Welcome, ye shades! ye bowery thickets hail!
Ye lofty pines, ye venerable oaks,
Ye ashes wild, resounding o'er the steep
Delicious is your shelter to the soul.
— Thompson, Seasons, Summer L169

In giving an idea of a man without the attributes that will attract and make people love him, and a man devoid of the moral qualities, Shakespeare said, "He that hath no music in his soul, and is not moved by concord of sweet sounds, is fit for treason, stratagem and spoils and the motions of his soul are as dark as Erebus."

All great thinkers, materialists, as well as poets and dreamers have paid their tributes to the beautiful, as well as the good. Listen to what some of the poets have said about flowers:

Flowers

Sweet letters of the angel tongue,
I've loved ye long and well
And never have failed in your fragrance sweet
To find some secret spell.—
A charm that has bound me with witching power,
For mine is the old belief,
That midst your sweets and midst your bloom
There's soul in every leaf!
—M. M. Ballou, "Flowers"

Flowers have an expression of countenance as much as men and animals. Some seem to smile, some have a sad expression; some are pensive and different; others again are plain, honest and upright, like the broad faced sunflower and the hollyhock.—Henry Ward Beecher, A Discourse of Flowers.

Flowers are Love's truest language; they betray
Like the divining rods of the Magi Old,
Where precious wealth lies buried, not of gold,
But love. Strong love that never can decay.—Park Benjamin, "Flowers, Love's Truest Language."
They speak of hope to the fainting heart,
With a voice of promise they come and part
They sleep in dust through the wintry hours
They bring forth in glory—bring flowers, bright flowers.
—Felicia D. Hemans, Bring Flowers.
In Eastern lands they talk in flowers,
And they tell in a garland their loves and cares,
Each blossom that blooms in their garden bowers,
On its leaves a mystic language bears.
—Percival, The Language of the Flowers.
To me the meanest flowers that blows can give
Thoughts that too often lie too deep for tears.
—Wordsworth, Intimations of Immortality.

Let us not then think beautiful thoughts, quote beautiful lines, talk beautiful theories and then let the matter die. A town or city without beauty, such as trees, flowers, clean streets, parks and other evidences of refinement is either a work shop or a reflection of a population without the sympathy of love and affection. Let us tell the world through the beautiful trees, the flower beds and the parks, that Mexia is a city with a soul where its inhabitants love the beautiful and good. Let us each plant at least one tree during the coming year. It may be that long, long after we have been laid to rest, that tree will protect someone from the rays of a blistering sun, or make some traveler remark that "here is a place where some one in the days gone by thought of some one other than himself or herself."

New Cabinet Is Formed Friday By Venizelos

ATHENS, Jan. 11—Former Premier Venizelos completed the formation of a cabinet this evening. There is every indication that the government had sufficient support to endure and would be presented to the National Assembly over the week end.

Ten Are Injured In Train Wreck

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Jan. 11.—Ten persons were injured when five coaches on the Memphis special of the Southern railway, Memphis to New York, were derailed near Chase, Ala.

SENATOR WATSON NOT ASPIRANT FOR PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Senator James E. Watson has definitely decided not to be a candidate for the republican presidential nomination, Watson and other leaders decided to unite behind President Coolidge.

LUBBOCK.—Contract awarded for $1,000,000 paving project.

Oil Advance Arouses Jubilation In Fields

Expedition To Leave Austin This Afternoon

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 11.—Ranger officials refused to give any information on the movement of State Rangers out of Austin this afternoon. The expedition was scheduled to leave this afternoon. There is much speculation as to whether the Rangers are going to San Antonio, Corpus Christi or to the border. Eight Rangers assembled this morning for the trip.

Williamson's Booze Fight Simmering Down

MARION, Ill., Jan. 11.—With an agreement reached on liquor law enforcement in general, Williamson county's "booze war" simmered down today to a fight between Glen Young, "prohobition czar" and the forces of Sheriff George Galligan over raids on Saloons and homes in the county. Three companies of State troops are still stationed here and at Herrin. Sheriff Galligan will not ask for their recall for a day or two, it was said.

Samuel Stern, Ku Klux Klan cyclops and chairman of the Williamson County board of supervisors, promised cooperation with Sheriff Galligan.

Future warrants for liquor raids will be issued by Galligan and Stern instead of Young, whose militant leadership of "flying squadrons," of Klansmen under Federal deputization without the knowledge of the local authorities brought on conditions that caused Galligan to ask the Governor to send the militia.

Young declares he would retain leadership of the Klan raids and would continue them "with or without Federal authorization."

John Layman, Galligan's trusted deputy, calling together 75 Herrin residents in whose homes and establishments liquor had been found, laid down the ultimatum that all bars must be removed from saloons.

Young was charged for the third time with felony today in a group of warrants sworn out by Alex Buggeri, baker of Herrin, charging larceny and assault. Buggeri swore he was yanked from his bed by Klan raiders under Young and forced to watch them enjoy a feast of his fresh bread and cheese.

Dallas Man Was Fined $25 For Neg. Homicide

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 11.—T. R. Reynolds was found guilty by a jury late yesterday afternoon and fined $25 on a charge of negligent homicide growing out of the death of Miss Myrtle Morley last July. Miss Morley died from injuries sustained when the car she was driving collided with the car driven by Reynolds.

Alleged Wife Beater Jailed

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 11.—Exhibiting welts on her daughter's legs, inflicted by beating with a chain, Mrs. Dan Messenger complained to officials and her husband is in jail facing assault charges. She declared that he beat her and her daughter until it was unbearable.

Another Rise Is Expected Soon Say Oil Men

Blake Smith of the E. L. Smith Oil Company returned last night from an inspection of the holdings of the company in the Powell fields and states that the shallow well of the company in their Ramsey lease will be bailed today and promises to make a nice producer. The sand in this well was encountered at 1178 feet and drilled to 1542 where liner was set. The offset of the Tidal Oil Company to this well is producing 85 barrels a day from a depth of 1185. This oil is 37 gravity and is selling for $1,35 a barrel the same as the deep pay. The sand is being drilled at 2840 on the Company's No. 1 Cerf and will be brought in within the next day or two.

Local oil men are jubilant because of the advance in price of Mexia, Currie and Powell crudes. Blake Smith stated that the raise was equivalent to a vast increase in production, which would mean a considerably larger revenue for all operators in these fields.

J. K. Hughes stated that he has never felt better since he came to Mexia, making this statement before the Lions Club, of which he is president, today at noon. He stated that there were two reasons for it; first, the Lions are working harder than ever for Mexia and second oil had made a considerable advance. With this statement applause was general, indicating the high degree of satisfaction on the part of every business in this section.

Other oil men's comments were likewise appreciative of the rise, which they believe points to a brighter era than ever before for this section.

Blake Smith stated that he was of the opinion that the district is due for another advance, too, very soon.

New quotations on Mexia, Currie and Powell were posted Thursday by Humble Pipe Line Company and the Texas Pipe Line Company. The new prices for Powell crude is $1.35, an increase of 10c a barrel by both companies. The new price for Currie crude is $1.50 a barrel, a 15c advance by the Humble Company and a 25c advance by the Texas Company, while the new quotation on Mexia crude is $1.35 a barrel, a 10c advance on the part of both companies.

The new prices posted by the Texas Company here apply only to Powell, Currie and Mexia crudes, all being flat advances for the grades specified.

In addition to its flat increases on Powell, Currie and Mexia crudes, as given, the Humble Company posted new prices on Ranger crude as follows: Below 33 gravity $1, 33 to 35.9 gravity $1.25, 36 to 38.9 gravity $1.40, 39 gravity and above $1.50. A regrading is effected in Ranger crude by the Humble's new quotations. The new quotations list only four grades, while the company's last preceding price list, that of Dec. 27, 1923, showed five grades.

STRAY DOGS NOT ALLOWED IN CITY

Mayor Ernest Watson stated today that a crusade would be made by the city against stray dogs here. He stated that such a step was necessary on account of a mad dog being in the city recently, which makes it dangerous for the public for dogs to be loose down town. "Keep the dogs at home" is the injunction he issues, which is backed up by a city ordinance.

WASHINGTON.—National Women's Party will call an international conference to "end the subjection of women."

FORT WORTH.—Nearly 2,000,000 head of cattle passed through dipping vats of state during November, according to livestock sanitary commission.

Commands U. S. Aviators on World Flight.

Major F. L. Martin

Major F. L. Martin, United States Army Air Service, former commander of Chanute Flying Field, Rantoul, Ill., has been selected by Major General Mason Patrick, commanding the Air Service, to take command of the four Douglas World cruisers that have been built by the Army for a flight around the world, the trip to be made in the Spring and Summer of 1924.

Outlaw's Son Surrenders In Florida

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 11—Bill Ashley, son of John Ashley, outlaw leader who was killed in a battle with posses, surrendered in the Everglades this afternoon. John Ashley, Jr., last of the robber gang, is still at large. He is expected to be captured late this afternoon, posse leaders declared.

Mexican Consul To Probe Mexia Death

DALLAS, Jan. 11.—Representatives of the American and Mexican Governments will personally investigate the death Tuesday in Mexia of Mucio Arredondo, an aged Mexican, it was announced Thursday by Charles E. Breinman, chief of the special agents of the Department of Justic in Dallas. Servando Barrera-Guerra, Mexican Consul in Dallas informed the Department of Justice officials that he had information which warranted a thorough investigation of the affair, it was said.

The consul, Mr. Breinman and possibly other Department of Justice officials will leave for Mexia Friday and will go thoroughly into the case, it was announced Thursday by both Mr. Berinman and Mr. Barrera-Guerra. All the information which has been received by the Department of Justice officials is in newspaper report that Mucio Arrendondo, 68 years old, was arrested by officers in Mexia for an alleged attack upon the wife of one of the officers, and that he was shot while attempting to escape.

New Baby Reunited Divorced Couple

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 11.—A new born babe today had retied the severed marriage bonds of Jennie and Thomas McGinn, of Waxahachie, Tex.

Appearing before Justice Hal Hughes here, the couple declared the arrival of the babe has caused them to reconsider and that they now desire to be re-married.

"Our divorce was a mistake, just as most divorces are," McGinn said. "The little one made everything look different."

$42,000 Cash Loot Taken From Employe Of Kansas City Bank

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 11.—Five negro bandits held up two messengers of a Main tsreet bank and escaped with $42,000 in cash. The bandits speed away in automobiles after robbing the messengers at the bank entrance.

A. HYDEN ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR LIMESTONE TAX ASSESSOR

A. A. Hyden of Groesbeck was in Mexia today on a visit with his son, N. B. Hyden, a postal employee here, and while in town requested The News to announce his entrance into the race for Tax Assessor of Limestone County, subject to the democratic primaries of this year.

Mr. Hyden is one of the best known men in the county. He was candidate for the office in 1920 and received a splendid vote, which he states he deeply appreciates. Quite a number of fellow citizens have urged him to run for the office this year.

He was born in Limestone County, the son of a pioneer of the section, and is, indeed, a product of the county where he has remained all his life.

Mr. Hyden will endeavor to see all of the voters in the county and states that he will appreciate deeply all favors and consideration at the hands of the great electorate.

HICKORY TEA BY PARENTS URGED FOR WAYWARD DAUGHTER

Constable Joe Felz and Policeman Kennedy Thursday investigated the theft of a phonograph and found the thief to be a girl of about 12 whose parents were poor. It was found that the girl had been stealing a number of articles which she would take to the second hand stores in town and dispose of for small sums of money.

As this was being done without the knowledge of her parents, the child was carried home where her father was directed to use a generous application of hickory tea as a reminder that crime doesn't pay in any form. The name of the child is out of courtesy to her parents not given.

HIGH SCHOOL PUPIL SUSPENDED FOR TERM

MACON, Ga., Jan. 11.—Young Stribling, light-heavyweight boxer, was barred today from Lanier High School.

The board of directors upheld the action of the school superintendent in suspending Stribling for the remainder of the term, "because of too many absences."

C. R. Bruce, superintendent of the board, stated Stribling could re-enter school at the beginning of the next term, but if absent three days in succession without an excuse, he would be dropped again.

YOUNG MULES STRAY FROM EVERETT FARM

Hugh Everett reports the losing of two mules from his farm about eight miles east of town. He states that they have been gone about ten days. One is a bay mare mule and the other mouse colored mare mule. Both are about 14½ hands high and four years old, unbroken. Mr. Everett believes they have simply strayed away from the farm and is offering a reward for their return.

Every state in the nation except six has made provision for bonuses or assistance to ex-soldiers. These benefits are estimated to total over $184,000,000. In addition, the national government gave bonuses at time of discharge.

Officers Are Elected For Legion Post

The Nowlin Post of the American Legion held a rousing meeting Thursday night at Legion Hall, at which time new officers were elected for the year 1924 and a program for a year of community and patriotic service discussed with enthusiasm.

Owen F. Watkins was re-elected Post Commander, his first year of service in that capacity being a subject of much gratification. Judge Watkins stated that he was much elated over prospects for the year and is determined to give the organization freely of his time and thought in order that it might become a notably helpful unit in community life here.

Charles G. Puckett, superintendent of the Mexia Public Schools, was elected first vice commander; W. S. Banks, attorney for the J. K. Hughes Oil Company and Developing Company, was elected second vice commander; Warren Dale, a local attorney, was elected adjutant; H. J. Hawk was elected post seargeant at arms; A. Garland Adair was elected historian and Rev. Joe Jeffers, pastor of the First Baptist church, was elected chaplain.

BUREAU CHANGES SWEEPING AND EFFECTIVE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11. — The United States Veterans Bureau has been reorganized on "sound business principles" and is ready to "get down to work," Director Hines announced. Sweeping administrative changes are effective today, involving the shifting of division heads, is announced.

POWELL FIELD IS ONE YEAR OLD NOW

This week marks the first anniversary of the discovery of the Powell oil field of the Mexia district. Thirty years before this date, the first shallow oil field West of the Mississippi was discovered in the adjoining county of Navarro, which field is yet producing.

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A PRACTICAL PROGRAM FOR 1924

Mexia's needs are numerous. Some of them are major while others are minor. Some of them create imperative demands upon the public, if Mexia is to become a bigger and better city. While achieving big things, the little ones should not be neglected.

The News offers the following list of needs that should be given attention in 1924 and carried to a successful conclusion:

1. **The water situation completely solved.** Mexia's water situation is not fully understood by many citizens. The conditions are by no means bad. In fact they are very promising. With an adequate supply of water available and of a pure quality, the proposition is largely one of bringing it to town and having at all times a reserve close at hand to take care of the city for a reasonable period in case of accident, breaking of the main leading to the corporate limits, or in case of a big fire. The News suggests a committee of citizens to go over the situation immediately, appointed by the city officials to make recommendations that will at all times assure Mexia an abundance of pure water and prevent a recurrence of a water scarcity experienced last summer, to lead ultimately also to a reduction in the price to the consumer.

2. **More light for Mexia streets,** with particular attention to dark spots in the residential areas, alleys, in front of all local churches and schools, and a White Way for the business district. These are mentioned in the order of their importance.

3. **A Memorial Building, including a City Auditorium,** which may be used as a community center, and also so arranged as to enable Mexia to become a convention center in this part of Texas.

4. **The Hughes City Park beautified and equipped** so that it may prove a real playground for the children and a place of recreation for all, with attention also given to a tourist camp for people travelling through in autos on cross country trips.

5. **A ceaseless campaign for public health,** with constant [illegible] to their premises in cooperation with the [illegible] sewers and cesspools of filth [illegible] breeding spots for mosquitoes and [illegible] not clean all the time.

6. [illegible] the permanent basis for general prosperity in this section. The News urges a more serious endeavor to cooperate with the farmers of this territory in land conservation, the development of fertilizing plants and the [illegible] crops for 1924.—along the [illegible] suggested by J. W. Schumacher.

7. [illegible] Mexia—the new cotton [illegible] and in making this an industrial [illegible].

8. [illegible] campaigns of local churches and schools [illegible] the spiritual and educational [illegible] of the community.

9. The paving program carried, including the paving of the alley and [illegible] all unpaved streets.

10. **Constant encouragement should be given to home seekers and home builders.**

11. A new city charter to suit conditions, properly presented and fully discussed and understood by the citizens prior to the day they actually go to the polls to vote on it.

12. **Lower fire insurance key rate,** and lower rates for all public utilities as rapidly as consistent with public weal.

WINNING PEACE PLAN IN BRIEF

I. ENTER THE PERMANENT COURT

That the United States adhere to the Permanent Court of International Justice for the reasons and under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1923.

II. CO-OPERATE WITH THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS, WITHOUT FULL MEMBERSHIP AT PRESENT.

That without becoming a member of the League of Nations as at present constituted the United States Government should extend its present co-operation with the league and propose participation in the work of its assembly and council under the following conditions and reservations:

Safeguarding of Monroe Doctrine.

1. The United States accepts the League of Nations as an instrument of mutual counsel, but it will assume no obligation to interfere with political questions of policy or internal administration of any foreign state.

In uniting its efforts with those of other states for the preservation of peace and the promotion of the common welfare, the United States insists upon the safeguarding of the Monroe Doctrine and does not abandon its traditional attitude concerning American independence of the Old World and does not consent to submit its long established policy concerning questions regarded by it as purely American to the recommendatioin or decision of other powers.

No Military or Economic Force

2. The only kind of compulsion which nations can freely engage to apply to each other in the name of peace is that which arises from conference, from moral judgment, from full publicity and from the power of public opinion.

The United States will assume no obligations under Article 10 in its present form, or under Article 16 in its present form in the covenant, or in its amended form as now proposed, unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

The United States proposes that Article 10 and 16 be either dropped altogether or so amended and changed as to eliminate any suggestion of a general agreement to use coercion for obtaining conformity to the pledges of the covenant.

No Obligations Under Versailles Treaty

3. The United States will accept no responsibilities under the treaty of Versailles unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

League Open to All Nations

4. The United States proposes that Article 1 of the covenant be construed and applied, or, if necessary, redrafted, so that admission to the league shall be assured to any self-governing state that wishes to join and that receives the favorable vote of two-thirds of the assembly.

Development of International Law

5. As a condition of its participation in the work and counsels of the league, the United States asks that the assembly and council consent—or obtain authority—to begin collaboration for the revision and development of international law, employing for this purpose the aid of a commission of jurists. This commission would be directed to formulate anew existing rules of the law of nations, to reconcile divergent opinions, to consider points hitherto inadequately provided for, but vital to the maintenance of international justice, and in general to define the social rights and duties of states. The recommendatioins of the commission would be presented from time to time, in proper form for consideratioin, to the assembly as to a recommending if not a law-making body.

VOTE YOUR OPINION
The Plan In Brief

Proposes—

I. That the United States shall immediately enter the Permanent Court of International Justice, under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1923.

II. That without becoming a member of the League of Nations as at present constituted, the United States shall offer to extend its present co-operation with the league and participate in the work of the league as a body of mutual counsel under conditions which

1. Substitute moral force and public opinion for the military and economic force originally implied in Articles 10 and 16.
2. Safeguard the Monroe Doctrine.
3. Accept the fact that the United States will assume no obligations under the treaty of Versailles except by act of Congress.
4. Propose that membership in the league should be opened to all nations.
5. Provide for the continuing development of international law.

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TEXAS OUTLOOK BRIGHT

Industrial activity continues on a satisfactory basis and there is very little unemployment apparent in any section of this State, other than that which is seasonal. Building activities continue unabated, particularly construction of brick, stone, and cement projects, and craftsmen of this kind are virtually all absorbed. The industrial employment outlook for 1924 is excellent. With the possible exception of bituminous coal mining and oil well activities, employment opportunities for all classes of labor will be greater than during the year just ended. Generally speaking, the farmers had a prosperous year and are enthusiastic over the prospects for the new year.

Mexia is going to encourage farming this year more than she ever has in her long and varied history of progress and development, while at the same time, the courageous oil men of the section are making their arrangements and plans to discover new pools of hidden wealth in the great Mexia territory.

With a new year on, every citizen here is glad that he is here, in a community that bristles with opportunity, and welcomes the newcomer to city, farm, factory and field.

CO-OPERATION BY LOCALS, ONLY WAY TO SOLVE PROBLEM OF PROHIBITION

By S. P. HOLLINGSWORTH
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

HARRISBURGH, Jan. 11 (United Press.)—Can prohibition be enforced?

The Pennsylvania state police are trying to answer this question for the benefit of the state and nation.

At the end of a year in conducting Governor Pinchot's dry crusade, they have come to the conclusion, according to Major Lynn G. Adams, superintendent, that without local co-operation, prohibition is a failure.

"The state police have been pioneers in this work, it seems," said Adams, in an interview.

"And the most we have gotten is criticism."

Strangely enough, most of the criticism has come from ministers, dry "enthusiasts" and prohibition organizations of the state, according to Adams.

In each instance, the "open violation of the law" is complained of and in many cases the state police are charged with failing in their duty.

The state troopers are compelled to mingle with all elements and in some cases must "sample" all kinds of bootleg stuff to get evidence.

Ministers hold up their hands at this sort of enforcement, Adams said.

"Prohibition enforcement is not a pink-tea affair," Adams continued. "With our limited force it is not possible to get every violator. We work night and day in almost every case that is handled.

"But what we are doing is to show these little communities, of which there are hundreds in Pennsylvania, as well as the big cities like Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, that there is a method that produces results and we are leaving it to the local police authorities to adopt that method if they want to enforce this law."

The kind of co-operation asked by the state police, if the people actually want the law enforced, is action on the part of local authorities, willingness on the part of citizens to testify in liquor prosecutions and constructive criticism of the methods employed so that better results may be obtained.

"To those who say the state police are concentrating their entire energy on prohibition enforcement, to the exclusion of other crime detection," Adams declared, "it might be said that with 50 state police for the entire state last year more than 50 murderers were caught, about 7,000 arrests for other crimes were made, and thousands of dollars worth of stolen property recovered."

"Tax-exempt securities are thwarting the development of industrial enterprises" says Franklin T. Griffith, President of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.

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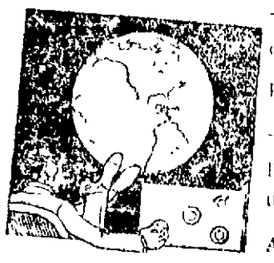

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Conditions Better Than In Boom Days Golden Lane Production Source Of Wonder

The following is an article appearing in Thursday's issue of The Dallas Morning News, written by Curtis Vinson, Staff Correspondent who spent Monday and Tuesday here:

The story of the Mexia oil field, so rich in the spectacular during the hectic days of 1921 and 1922, is a quiet chronicle of settled production and little display as the new year moves on across the calendar. The excitement of roaring gushers, the push of frenzied crowds, the medley of a boom town's noises are gone. But with the departure of these conditions there has also been a leave-taking of others. Mexia's streets are no longer hogwallows of sticky mud, Mexia's schools are no longer inadequate to care for the children who ask admittance at their doors. Mexia's business section and outlying districts are no longer filled with throngs of idle men who make for idle and sometimes reprehensible pursuits.

Approximately seven miles of paving in the business section and in the residential districts cover thoroughfares that were negotiated only with great difficulty during rainy weather when the oil boom held sway. Much building has been completed, including the school building program that represents an expenditure of $330,000. Business is healthy and growing. Mexia has come out of the boom day period stronger, healthier and with better prospects ahead than is the case with most towns emerging from the whirlpool of an oil rush.

Production Is Settled.

Activity in the Mexia oil field proper has now resolved itself into the simple task of gathering the settled production from the 519 producers of the field. All the wells are on the pump and little if any new drilling activity is in evidence in the old field. However, to the northeast in Freestone County, in the southern part of Limestone County and still further south in Falls County in the vicinity of Chilton, some new drilling activity is found, activity that promises to grow with the spring of 1924.

The daily average production of the Mexia field proper on the first of January was approximately 40,000 barrels. Coming from 519 wells, this total shows an average daily yield of about seventy-five barrels a well. Of the total yield of the field, the Humphreys Oil Company, now the property and under the supervision of the Pure Oil Company, is producing approximately 18,000 barrels daily, from 270 wells. Something of the constancy of settled production is shown by comparison of the Humphreys production now and a year ago. On Jan. 1, 1923, the Humphreys daily yield was around 25,000 barrels. It is now 18,000 barrels, a drop of only 7,000 barrels in daily yield over a period of a year being shown.

Total Yield 57,000,000 Barrels.

The total yield of the Mexia field from the time it was opened until Jan. 1 of this year accounts for 57,132,000 barrels of oil. Of this total, the Humphreys Oil Company has produced 21,500,000 barrels.

Production records show that the Corsicana and Richland districts had yielded up to Jan. 1, 1924, a total of 58,2[illegible],000 barrels of oil. The daily average production of the Corsicana and Richland districts at present is 3,000 barrels. This production is coming from sixty-seven wells, showing a daily average yield of approximately sixty barrels a well.

The Powell deep pay field has produced during the one year of its life, from January, 1923, to January, 1924, a total of 20,800,000 barrels of oil, almost 60 per cent of the total life production of the Mexia field so far. During the month of December, 1923, the Powell field produced 1,020,000 barrels of oil. The daily average production of the Powell field at present is around 21,000 barrels from 375 wells, an average daily yield of approximately 150 barrels a well.

Much Oil in Storage.

Mexia, Corsicana, Richland and Powell crude in storage at Mexia, Corsicana and Groesbeck on Jan. 1, 1924, totaled 27,900,000 barrels. In addition to this, the Magnolia Petroleum Company held on that date in storage facilities in the district in question a total of 350,000 barrels of Ranger crude and 587,000 barrels of Healdton crude, and the Humble Company held 700,000 barrels of Ranger crude. Companies holding the 27,900,000 barrels of oil in storage at Mexia, Corsicana and Groesbeck on Jan. 1 included in addition to the Magnolia and Humble Companies, the Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing Company, the Texas Pipe Line Company, the Prairie Pipe Line Company, the Humphreys Oil Company (Pure Oil,) Atlantic Oil Producing Company, Cobden Fuel Company, Galena Signal and smaller companies.

While there is little prospects of the new year bringing any renewal of drilling activities within the Mexia field proper, oil men are watching developments in Freestone County and in the southern part of Limestone County with considerable interest. The two most interesting tests in Freestone County at present appear to be that of Carter & Lytle on the Hackney farm, three miles east of Wortham and that of Shirley & Gillespie at Cotton Gin, known as the Hackney-Weaver test. The Carter & Lytle test, three miles southeast of Wortham, is drilling day and night, being below 1,600 feet. Three-quarters of a mile east of this test is the test drilled two years ago on the Wright farm by the Texiana Oil Company, in which a showing of oil was reported around 3,165 feet. This latter test was drilled to 3,400 feet, but did not develop into a well.

Shirley and Gillespie's Hackney-Weaver test is midway between Teague and Mexia. A. P. Shirley is in charge of this operation, which is down around 1,350 feet. These interests hold a block of acreage and have made another location two miles west of Teague, according to reports.

Test Near Butler Salt Dome.

Half a mile from the test made by the Dorado Oil Syndicate on the Edwards ranch in the southeast corner of Freestone some time ago, a new location for a test has been made, according to reports, by L. A. Smith et al. The site of this latter test is eighteen miles southeast of Teague in what is known as the "old apple orchard." This test is reported rigging up and several thousand acres are understood to be under lease. This L. A. Smith et al. test on the Edwards ranch is in the vicinity of the Butler salt dome, twenty miles east of Teague, which, according to reports, may be the scene of some play during the earlier part of the year. Several tests in Freestone County are now standing idle due to weather conditions, lack of water and other reasons.

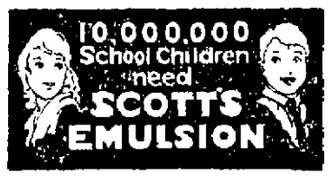
In Limestone County oil men are watching the Humphreys Oil Company's test on the Holton tract, three miles west of Groesbeck, and the Sandy Ridge Oil Company's Fabors No. 1 on Sandy Ridge, five miles east of Thornton. The Humphreys Holton was reported making 4,000,000 cubic feet of gas Wednesday morning when the pipe was drilled out. Drilling was resumed Wednesday afternoon in hopes of getting oil. Gas was encountered at 2,905 feet and the pressure was reported increasing during Wednesday.

Other Tests Now Drilling

The Sandy Ridge test is below 4,695 feet, according to reports. These two operations represent virtually all the activity in Limestone County outside the Mexia field, though Roscoe Cook et al. are reported to be making arrangements to resume drilling in the Mexia Red Seal Oil Company's test on the Roscoe Cook farm, five miles southeast of Mexia, which is already down 3,603 feet. It is also reported that the Mexia Land Leasing Association will drill the Moody test near Tehuacana deeper. This test is now 3,015 feet deep.

The Chilton district in Falls County where the Post Oak Oil Company brought in a producer on the Taylor tract is holding considerable interest. The Post Oak Oil Company's producer, the Taylor No. 1, was brought in at 1,150 feet with daily yield of 174 barrels. Oil is of 32 gravity. This shallow production is reported coming from the lime.

The second completion of this district was the Seay-Cranfill and Reynolds' Randolph No. 1, a 200-barrel well at 1,083 feet. These same interests are down 850 feet in test on the Chance tract. The J. K. Hughes Developing Company is drilling on the T. C. Westbrook tract, being down around 600 feet. Seven tests in all are under way in the Chilton area. The area appears to be erratic, as the second test of the Post Oak Oil Company on the Ttylor tract, close to the discovery well, proved a dry hole. It is understood the Humble Pipe Line Company is laying a three-inch line from the field to the town of Chilton.



SKATERS WILL REPRESENT U. S. IN OLYMPICS.

Above are pictured the members of the American ice skating team selected to represent America in the skating events at Chamonix, in the French Alps, early in 1924, the points there made to count in the 1924 Olympic games, the major portion of which will be contested in Paris next Summer. Left to right they are: "Duke" Donovan, of St. Paul, Minn.; Valentine Bialis, of Lake Placid, N. Y.; Harry Kaskey, of Chicago; Joe Moore, of New York City; Charles Jewtraw, of Lake Placid, N. Y.; William Steinmetz, of Chicago, and William Taylor, coach and manager.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY

Central Presbyterian Christian Endeavor Society, Sunday, Jan. 13, 6:15 p. m.

Warren J. Dale, president.

Subject—How and when Jesus prayed.

Song, No. 109—Sweet Hour of Prayer.

Song, No. 227—Did You Think to Pray?

Scripture Reading—John 17.1-26.

Jesus at Prayer.

1.—Miss McDonald

2.—Mr. Taylor Jordan.

3.—Mr. Robert Storey

4.—Miss James

5.—Miss Keith.

Solo—"Spend One Hour With Jesus."—Miss Fielder, accompanied by Miss Gibson.

Jesus in Prayer.—Mr. Dale.

Jesus' Public Prayers.—Miss Sporer

Jesus' Words on Prayer.—Mr. Jordan and Mr. Arrington.

What do Jesus' Recorded Prayers Show as to His Chief Desire?—Rev. Victor K. Aubrey.

Mizpah Benediction.

MRS ARNESON LONG TO BE REMEMBERED BY BRYAN FRIENDS

Mrs. Ed P. Arneson of San Antonio during a recent visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Park, for the Christmas holidays, gave so much of pleasure to her many friends and to the city at large, in her very artistic and impressive readings on various programs, that many friends desire to thus give public expression of their thanks and appreciation. Mrs. Arneson appeared on the Christmas program given by the Woman's Club in a reading, "The End of the Rainbow," which was so fine of thought, and so impressively given by the reader, that it charmed her hearers, and she was urged to repeat the reading at the Sunday night program given at the First Baptist church. Mrs. Arneson very graciously consented to do so, and the unanimous verdict of the entire audience which filled the church to overflowing was that it was the most impressive and artistic number ever given in Bryan by a reader. Mrs. Arneson's many friends are proud of the wonderful talent she possesses, and always welcome her visits to her old home in Bryan.—Bryan Eagle.

And Mexia also shares in the above sentiments of appreciation and pride, for it was here that Mrs. Arneson, nee Anita Park, was born and grew to girlhood and afterwards developed into a beautiful and accomplished woman. Her many old time friends here are always glad to hear from her and to share in the honors that come to her through her many accomplishments.

BROWNSVILLE.—New Sharyland packing plant turns out first carload of citrus fruit.

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COMMERCE.—Organization Commerce Pure-Bred Live Stock and Poultry Association completed.

PRAISES NEWS

A letter comes today from the "Little Mother's Aid Association," of New York City, in which the President Mrs. Henry Burrough Lloyd, says: "Have enjoyed your paper thoroughly and consider your publication a live wire."

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OIL FEVER DRAWS FARMER FROM FIELDS AND CAUSES DEPRESSION. SAYS EXPERT

By CARL L. TURNER
(International News Service Staff Correspondent)

KANSAS CITY. Jan. 11.—High freight rates were forced to share the position of chief farm disturber today when reports from various sections of the Southwest revealed that oil and gas development has created a chaotic condition in many formerly prosperous farming counties in Oklahoma, Arkansas and Northern Texas.

While farms in general have not suffered to a great extent, one grave enough to be considered alarming, serious consequences were foreseen by many county agents unless farmers spend more attention on farm production and less on work in oil development.

The report of J. W. Riley, county agent of Creek County, Oklahoma, is cited as representative of the consensus of agriculturists queried. He said:

"Agricultural conditions in my county were worse at the beginning of the year than at that period of the year during the last decade.

"Coupled with the financial status in the county we might say the morale of the farm folk was just about as low as it could possibly get, from the viewpoint of successful agriculture.

"As has been stated in pervious reports, the oil and gas spirit of development and production has created a chaotic condition.

"Quite a number of good farms, wholly or in part, were idle this year because of the demand at the opening of the agricultural activity for workers and teams in the oil fields.

"A number of these farms, owned by good farmers and good business men, lay idle because a renter for one year could not be depended upon to attend to the farm throughout that period; the tenant would get his crop planted and, when an opportunity presented itself, would take his team to work in the oil field, neglecting his farm interest and that of his landlord.

"No permanent agricultural development can be done here or in any other sector until the landowner himself is imbued with the idea that productive soil is the best of all permanent property. While many landholders will [illegible] of the [illegible] ment, yet there [illegible] of no [illegible] future [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] dollar [illegible] [illegible] try."

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"The attitude of the banker and the merchant has always been one of helpfulness consistent with good business practices, but the character of the risks the banker is asked to take is such that he is compelled to be very conservative in financing farm demand."

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OIL

The possibilities of a shallow gas as well as a shallow oil field in and about the deep field area, are yet to be told. Commercial gas is known to exist in the southwestern area of the field, with shallow oil extending practically over the entire 2500 avres the field covers.

The Atlantic Company recently developed a big gasser on the Kellum tract, the flow being harnessed for fuel purposes in the field.

The No. 9 Rose of the Simms Oil Company from a depth of 1243 feet, is making about 17,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day, it is reliably reported. The Lone Star Gas Company is running the production.

Reports from the McDonald well at Richland are that the well is showing oil in heads. It is reported that oil in several small heads made its way into the tank through the pipe connections. The well will probably develop into a small but paying producer. The hole had been deepened, and the bailer run again.

The McDonald No. 1 Swink is drilling around 2700 feet. The Lewis well on the Swink tract is drilling deeper with standard tools.

The Texas-Magnolia D. T. Kent No.16 test in the oil fields was completed late Tuesday with an initial flow of 200 barrels oil a day. This well is considerably to the north of the proven center and will likely mean the drilling of additional offsets. It is located about 100 feet southeast of the Hughes-Peck failure.

RESTAURANTS KID PUBLIC TO EMPTY SEATS QUICKLY

(By International News Service)

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 10.—A novel scheme for speeding up eating in rush periods is employed by local restaurateurs. They set their clocks five to ten minutes ahead. Patrons view the advancing hour with alarm, [illegible] their meals and dash back to work, leaving room for new customers.

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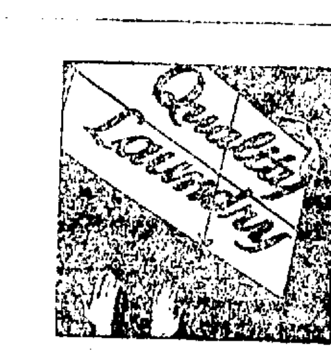

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NEW-WAY LAUNDRY

Texan Invents Automatic Stop For R. R. Train

ALPINE, Texas, Jan. 11.—Submission to the interstate commerce commission of a patented automatic train control device invented by S. G. Smith of Alpine will be made soon by Smith who went to Washington recently on business in connection with the invention.

The device would automatically stop trains, according to Smith, when danger lurks ahead on the track.

Smith declares his invention not only is positive in action but is also practicable in its installation.

Love May Be Blind!

But before you can impress someone of the opposite sex enough to get them to share this happy state of mind with you, you certainly must keep your appearance pleasing and attractive. Pimply, blotchy, eczemic skin seems ten times worse to strangers and new acquaintances. And even husbands, wives, parents and kin feel sorry for loved ones who suffer from such skin diseases.

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A CORRECTION

In the article appearing in Wednesday's News, referring to the fire of last Saturday night, an error in name was made. The building referred to was owned by our esteemed fellow townsman, D. A. Kerzee and in the fire insurance adjustment $695 was paid instead of $66 as reported.

KI-MOIDS FOR INDIGESTION

Counterfieters Nest In Burned Building

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 10.—Flames which razed a rooming house here last week also bared a counterfeit money mill.

One hundred and forty half dollar pieces and two molds were found in the smoking ruins of the house.

Some of the coins had "milled" edges while others had not yet been put through the machines.

PILOT POINT, Texas, Jan. 10.—J. Winston Peel, 25, assistant cashier of the Pilot Point National bank, lost his left foot as a result of an accident while on a hunting trip Tuesday. Peel's gun was accidentally discharged, the shot striking him in the foot. He was taken to a Sherman hospital where it was found necessary to ampu tate.

SAN ANTONIO.—Oil and gas leases are taxable in Texas and the tax must be paid by holdr of lease, as a result of final action of Supreme Court of Texas.

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CROWDED FOR SPACE IN MISSOULA, MONT., JAIL

(By International News Service)

MISSOULA, Mont., Jan. 10.—Over at Polson, the county seat of Lake County, the jail is so full of prisoners that the sheriff has been crowded out and has been compelled to seek uptown office quarters. Since the sheriff moved his office into a business block his former office rooms in the jail have been worked over into additional cell space for prisoners.

DALLAS.—Six-story warehouse to cost $100,000 to be erected at corner of Collin and Carter streets.

BRECKENRIDGE. — Souders and Fisher Company starts construction of $200,000 gasoline manufacturing plant.

TYLER.—Price-Booker Manufacturing Company contracts for cucumbers from 400-acre tract, erection of hugs

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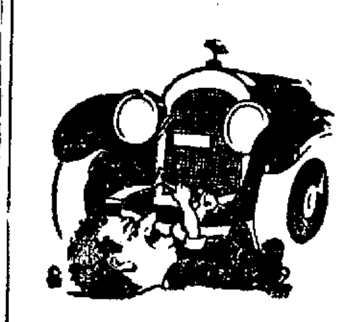

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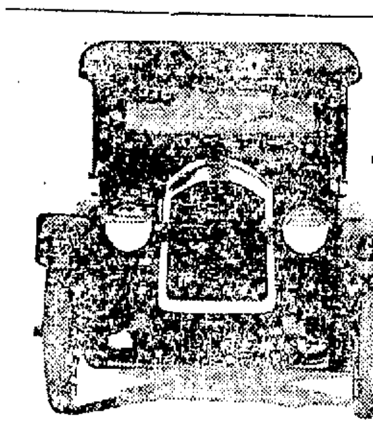
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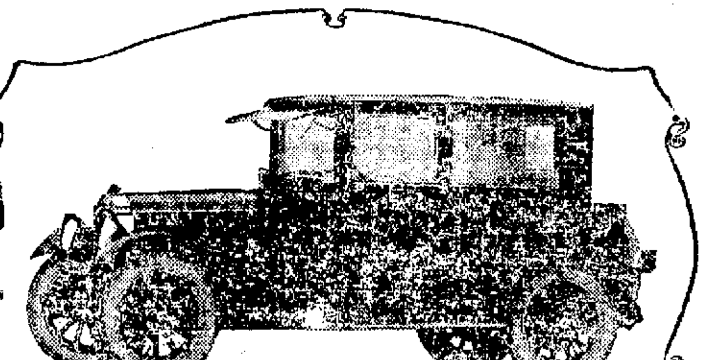
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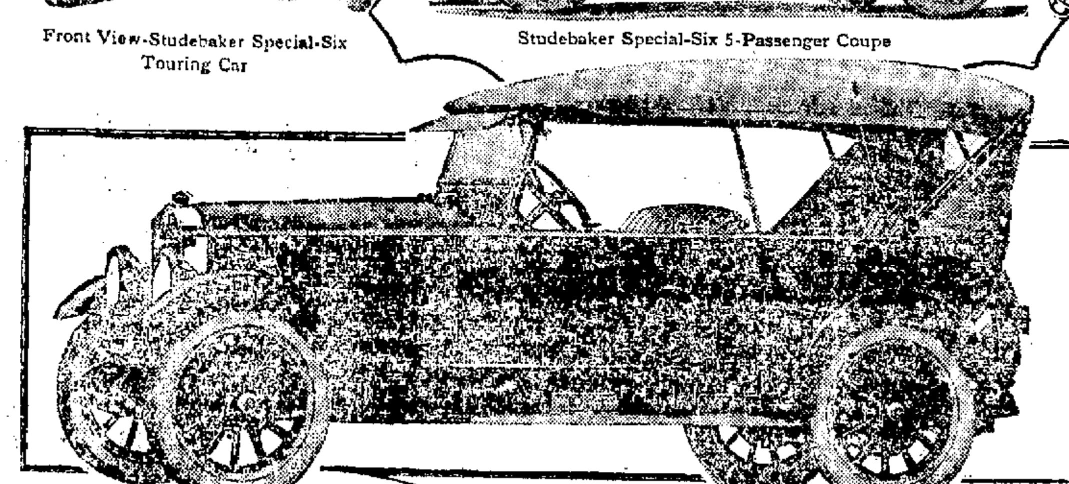
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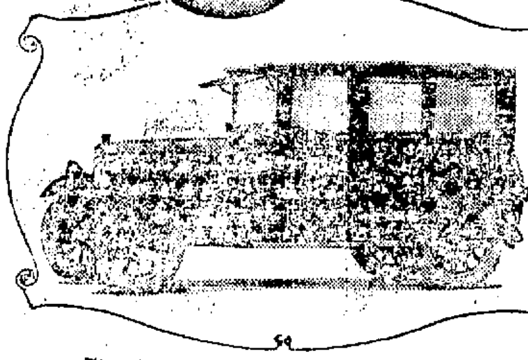
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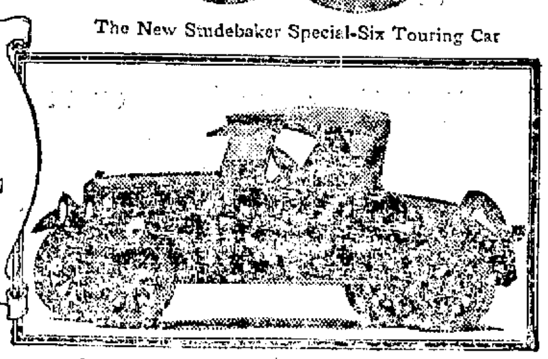
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CITIZENSHIP
Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

INTELLECTUAL COURAGE

Martin W. Littleton, one of America's most distinguished lawyers, in an address before the Texas Bar Association in 1911 gave expression to this citizenship thought for today:

"You found this a good country to live in when you came here. You ought to leave it a better country to live in when you go away. Every man owes to the community in which he lives the best of his thought, the best of his impulse and the best of his courage, and whenever those impulse lead, it is best for him and best for his community, to make those things the leading things by which he is guided. What we need now more than all else is not physical courage, but what we need now is intellectual courage—the courage of the brain that thinks, the courage of your conclusions, the courage to say: 'Upon this thing I have thought. Upon this thing I have felt. Upon this thing I have concluded, and I owe this conclusion to the community in which I live, and I submit it without fear, because no man has a right to challenge me if I have given him the benefit of my convictions upon any public subject.'"

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Madison People Up Early to See Elly's Struggle

By MILES W. VAUGHN.
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MADISON, Conn., Jan. 11. Madison's population—the whole [illegible] of it—was up [illegible] today to witness the struggle of "Elly" Bassett, who [illegible] as a "hardy" young man around the village, [illegible] the confidence of his wife [illegible] the [illegible] of the town girls' basketball team.

"Elly," as the [illegible] folks long have known him, [illegible], after resigning his [illegible] as personal representative of Nina Wilcox Putnam, a job which [illegible] from his wife this [illegible] he had left his family for the noted novelist.

After two unsuccessful attempts to see Mrs. Bassett [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] along the [illegible] of this seaside village.

Mrs. Bassett [illegible] a girl friend and [illegible] the girls' basketball [illegible] Bassett was [illegible] Dowd, a write[illegible] Mrs. Putnam.

Among the [illegible] of the village today was Bassett [illegible] for a fresh and [illegible] to see his wife and 4-year-old boy today.

"I have come more than half way," he told the United Press this morning. "I have come nine-tenths of the way; I am prepared to come still further if she will forget the hideous falsehoods she has been hearing about Mrs. Putnam—and come a little of the distance herself.

"I think she will talk to me when we meet face to face. We need only a few words together. She will believe me."

When Bassett arrived last night his coming had been rumored thruout the village. His call at the post office, where his wife works was the signal of mary of the village folk turning out to greet him. It was all very jolly. They slapped him on the back, said "oh, you Elly", assumed postures of taking his picture, commented on his tweeds and his Florida tan, shook hands with him and wished him well. The attitude was that of friends who thought one of their number had pranked a bit and were interested in seeing how he made out with his best girl after a tiff.

After all, hadn't "Elly" grown up among them and of them, a lad who was his father's helper in clam digging. True, Nina Wilcox also had grown up among them but she had not mingled with them. She had grown away from them as she grew up. She is known rather as "the lady writer" than as "one of our girls."

But in the rear of the post office Mrs. Bassett was not as conciliatory or jovial. She sent out word that she would not see her husband.

"Tell him," she said, "to see my lawyer, Judge Zachary."

Bassett called his mother-in-law, Mrs. C. Petri, on the telephone later in a second attempt. "No, his wife was 'out.' No, he couldn't see his boy, Adrian, because 'he is in bed.'"

There was one more chance. There was a practice game scheduled between the high school girls' team and the town girls, among the latter of whom Mrs. Bassett is a star player.

Basketball is the main winter sport of the village. The theater which also is the basketball court, filled early as the townsfolk came to cheer their favorites. Among those present was "Elly." Then, as the high school girls began tossing baskets in warming up, the word was passed out that the town girls had defaulted the match.

Then the full significance of the tiff between "Elly" and his wife struck the villagers, and the town, already aroused from its customary winter calm, became stimulated to moderate excitement. "Elly" went out into the night again, somewhat crest fallen and dejected.

But this morning he was feeling more hopeful again. At noon Mrs. Bassett was to resume her usual duties at the public library and Bassett hoped to see her then if not before. But, he added, squaring his shoulders, "I won't force myself upon her."

Meantime mutual friends of the Bassetts are smiling and waiting. They are inclined to the belief that it is a quarrel that will iron out because Mrs. Bassett still loves her husband. Most of them, however, think that she will take her time.

"You know—to teach 'Elly' a lesson," say these.

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MEXIA BANKER GOES TO OAK CLIFF BANK

J. T. McMillan, former Active Vice President of the Farmers State Bank of this city has resigned his local relations with this financial institution to accept the cashiership of the Oak Cliff State Bank and Trust Company.

This well known banker succeeded Hardy Eubanks as Vice President of the local state bank, when the latter accepted the position as secretary of the Humphreys Oil Company. During the brief residence of Mr. McMillan here he formed many friends. He is considered an efficient banker, a man of pleasing personality and a citizen of a high order. His friends will regret to learn of his departure from Mexia but are glad to hear of his election to the cashiership of the Oak Cliff bank.

A notice in a local Dallas paper today states:

The resignation of Miss Mary Cook as cashier of the Oak Cliff State Bank and Trust Company was announced Thursday by W. N. Fullwood, president of that institution. Miss Cook resigned because of ill health.

Miss Cook came to the bank six years ago during the war and her advancement was rapid. She became cashier three years ago.

She enjoyed the distinction of having been the only woman cashier of a bank in Dallas.

J. T. McMillan has been elected as cashier of the bank He has had wide banking experience over the state and was acting Commissioner of Insurance and Banking during the Hobby administration.

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BELIEVED AMERICAN AVIATOR'S BODY IS FOUND IN CHANNEL

LONDON, Jan. 11—A body believed to be that of American Aviator Lawrence Sperry, who disappeared last month while trying to fly his flyver airplane across the English channel, was washed ashore near Rye, Sussex. Sperry had been flying the flyver plane in England, assisting in political campaigns. He decided on a cross channel flight and was last seen flying towards France. The next day the wreckage of the plane was found but no trace of the flyer.

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WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred. Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas. 11E1

DEMONSTRATION HOME NEARING COMPLETION IN CITY

W. K. Boyd, president of the News Publishing Company, stated today that the J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home was nearing completion and would be a thing of attractive charm, a real contribution to Mexia and a step forward in the encouragement of a greater home building campaign here. A week will be set apart starting about next Thursday, at which time the public will be cordially invited to inspect every room and every phase of the place which is located near Ross Avenue on Main street. The finances for the home were tendered by J. K. Hughes. The contract let by Mr. Boyd for the News Publishing Company to Contractor and Builder Lawrence Ingram and the material was furnished by the J. R. Neece lumber company. Many calls have been made for the home which has already been rented. The details of expenses, etc. will be given with the announcement of its informal opening for inspection.

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ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

By SLYBOOTS

After several days absence I found myself at Noon Thursday once more within the city limits of Mexia. No sooner had I gotten off the arm and had begun to make my way toward one of the establishments which guarantees to cure hunger in any form than I ran upon Dick Wagner, evidently upon the verge of manly tears. As I am guilty of an emotional nature myself I naturally paused to offer some sympathy and inquire the cause of his distress. With trembling voice he told me that Lizzie had died that morning. I was totally unprepared for such unfortunate news and after the first shock was over I asked the nature of the complaint with which she had expired. He said that he did not know. He had looked in the gasoline tank and it was full, the ignition system seemed to be in good condition and there seemed to be nothing wrong with the running gear but when he twisted the crank all the response he got was disheartening wheeze, so he finally decided that it was old age.

When I had paid fifty cents for thirty cents worth of beans and finished what the cook had left my thoughts wondered over toward the News office.

Because of the food that I had just eaten I was feeling rather drowsy but on opening the door of the News building I received the sudden impression that the fire alarm had been turned on. At once, however, I discovered that it was merely Major Houx sneezing. Major has a sneeze that is peculiar. At first it is a sneeze but at last it isn't. It sounds more like a Mohawk warhoop.

I noticed that Adair paid little attention to the sneeze but kept turning round and round and scratching the back of his head. He was either absorbing a cussing or writing the day's editorial, so I entered the editorial sanctum very gingerly and passed him a kind word. He jumped as if some one had shot him and glared at me until I began to consider a precipitate retreat. When I had satisfied him that I wasn't another walking "Hints for Editors" he assumed a more gentle aspect and demanded where I had been keeping myself. I informed him that I had been spending several days in a large Texas city checking up the methods by which the newspapers there had been securing the correct amount of building permits issued during the year.

After I had with some difficulty made a safe agress I proceeded down Commerce street in the direction of the Oasis where I found quite a large group of young men seemingly very much interested in some sort of a spectacle. I immediately joined the group and found the spectacle to be Pat Patterson evidently trying out some new advertising scheme. The scheme seemed to attract attention wonderfully but after one performance Pat evidently tired of it. At this point a sort of slope occures in the sidewalk and the scheme as I found it to be was to start at the top of the slope and descend hurridly to the foot with the stomach in intimate relationship with the concrete after the manner of a lizard. After making this decent Pat go to his feet and brushing off his clothes murmered an excuse to the sidewalk for his abrupt methods and disappeared into the Oasis. I concluded that this was no doubt the end of the performance and hastened on to other localities where my presence was urgently needed.

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How many times have you heard that "calomel is the only sure way to reach the liver?" Your grandfather knew it, your mother knew it, your doctor knows it—you know it yourself! Calomel is the certain way to stimulate liver to healthy activity, but ordinary calomel is so harsh in its consequence that you can hardly be blamed for not wanting to take it.

There is no reason to deprive yourself of the fine effects of calomel since the discovery of Pepsinated Calomel. It is the best imported English calomel treated with pepsin. It has all the cleansing power of English Calomel, (recognized as the standard of purity), with the soothing qualities of pepsin so that you get the full benefit of calomel without griping, nausea or discomfort. Pepsinated Calomel is especially fine for children. They willingly take it when they cannot be bribed into taking disagreeable medicine.

Bennett's Drug Store and all reliable druggists recommend and guarantee Pepsinated Calomel to bring relief between sundown and sunup or your money refunded. Try it—we guarantee you'll feel better tomorrow. (Adv.)

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR MEETING POSTPONED

Frank E. Wilson, representative for the Christian Endeavor from Virginia, who was to have spoken at the Christian Church tonight will not be here on account of conflicting dates. All Christian Endeavors in the city are urged to take notice of the meeting's postponement.

DALLAS.—$2,000,000 vehicular viaduct proposed to link east and west sides of Trinity river.

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The main thing an advertiser wants to do is to tell you plainly just how and why his gods are worthy of your consideration. You can learn a great deal from that alone, because many things you see advertised are the things you buy and use in your regular daily life. By reading the advertisements, you can learn the names and read desriptions of the things that are best and most satisfactory.

But advertising teaches even more than that. All advertisers try to make their advertisements available to you. A good many people have learned a whole lot about good music, good books, good food, good clothes, ways to keep healthy, ways to live comfortably, ways to keep the house and grounds looking well—they have learned all these things and many other things just by reading advertisements.

Read the advertisements right along, and you will learn a great deal that will be helpful and valuable to you as you go through life.

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Thinks Jazz Will Pep Up Appetites

(By International News Service)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—American jazz is being used to increase English hunger.

William J. Wilson, an American theatrical producer, has been engaged by the Lyons chain restaurants to supervise their orchestras in the hope that increased attractiveness of restaurants orchestras will increase English stomach capacity.

"Jazz increases hunger," Wilson declares, "and it is my work to pep the restaurant jazz up to a point where it will cause the English appetite to grow and flourish."

Wilson has introduced into the restaurants under his charge some daring innovations for England. He has an idea that color enhances jazz and has perfected a series of charming panels which make it possible for an orchestra to play Japanese music with a Japanese background, Elizabethan music with an Elizabethan background and American jazz with a background which is a riot of color. Among other innovations introduced by Wilson are revolving bandstands, invisible orchestras led by a beautiful female leader, ghostly leaders for visible orchestras. The element of the theatre has been brought into resaturant music by Wilson.

Sir William Terry, organist at the Westminster Cathedral, has taken issue with Wilson and denounces many of his schemes for brightening the restaurant orchestras. "Why should a man check his morality with his hat at the restaurant door?" Sir William asks. He opposes jazz in restaurants, but does congratulate the Lyons restaurants on their introduction of instrumental operatic numbers in their musical program.

Dallas Business Better Than Ever

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 11.—The business [illegible] Dallas [illegible] by the [illegible] of [illegible] trophy clerk.

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If [illegible] Morning News.

COMB SAGE TEA INTO GRAY HAIR

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea, with sulphur and alsohol added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get the ready-to-use preparation improved by the addition of other ingredients a large bottle, at little cost, at drug stores, known as "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," thus avoiding a lot of muss.

While gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared. After another application or two your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant and you appear years younger.—(Adv)

EPWORTH LEAGUE ENTERTAINS

In the contest between the reds and blues, the reds had the largest attendance during the month of December, so the party will be given in their honor. The party will be a kid party and will be given at the home of Mrs. A. B. Crider at 310 South Canton street. All members of the Epworth League are urged to be present.

The greatest motor magazine published "The Annual Motor." A limited number on sale at Pioneer News Stand. 9-3

The Junker who says the Fatherland needs a king doubtless means a William—Youngstown (O.) Vindicator.

Snipe Dropped By Aviator Is New Fire Peril

(By International News Service)

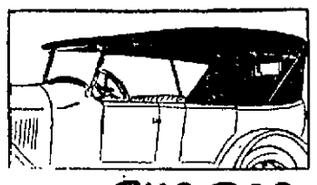
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 11.—A new fire hazard has been discovered by farmers in various sections of Ohio. It is the aviator, they believe.

Cigarette snipes thrown from his airplane by an aviator while circling over the farm of J. R. Alspach, Fairfield County, recently, are held responsible for a series of blazes causing loss estimated at $10,000.

Falling in dry grass, these snipes, farmers believe, started fires which were not extinguished until a barn on Alspach's farm was destroyed.

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 10.—When the lights in the varsity gymnasium failed here last night 2,000 students waited more than an hour for the break to be repaired so the Texas-Southwestern basket ball game could be continued. The game was called, however, when no one could be found to make the repairs. When the lights went out, after two minutes of play, Texas was leading 3 to 2.

No worry about cooking or the dsihes when you eat at the Majestic Cafe. Meals served the family way at 50 cents.



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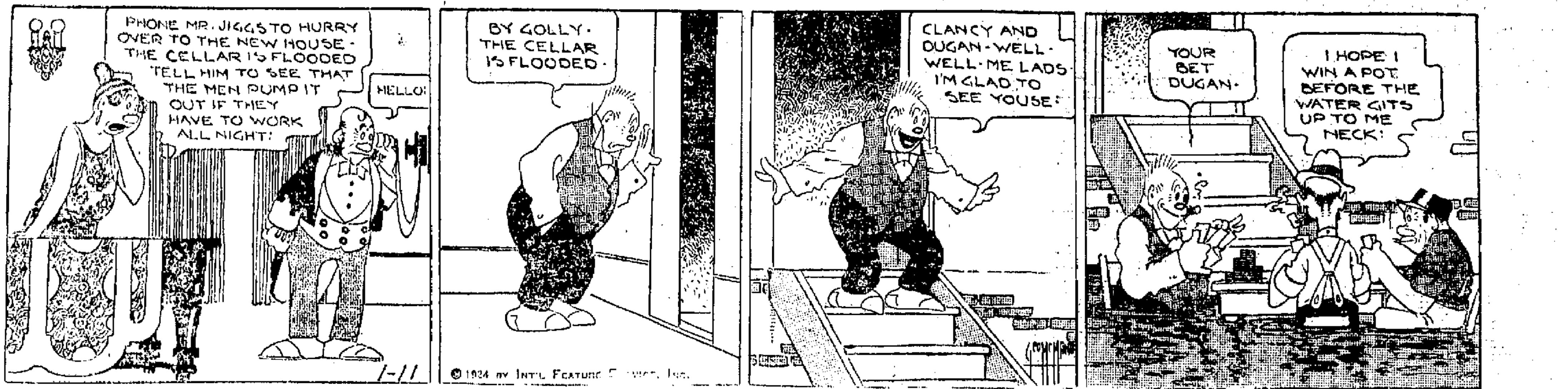
By George McManus



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DID YOU KNOW that there are many changes daily in Mexia's rooming houses. These individuals watch this column constantly for available rooms. The column offers its service in helping rent your rooms. Give particulars in your ad. That's what the reader wants.

HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—Nursing by experienced nurse. Obstetrical cases a specialty. Terms reasonable. Phone 557-J. 2A20

WANTED: Obstetrical cases by experienced nurse. Terms reasonable. Phone 557-J. 30A30

AN INTELLIGENT PERSON, either sex, may earn $100 to $200 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $15 to $25 weekly in spare time; experience unnecessary; no canvassing; subjects suggested. Send for particulars. National Press Bureau, Buffalo, N. Y. 8A3

GENERAL AGENT for a practical and useful household utility to work Limestone County, also canvassers. Will make money and friends for you. Write to Henry Wood, 1307 Caroline street, Houston, Texas. 11A7

POSITIONS WANTED—B

WANTED: Obstetrical cases by experienced nurse. Phone 557-J. 30B28

TRADES—C

WANTED—To trade your piano. Best local reference. Hall Music Co., next door Daily News. 8C2

LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Between Coolidge and Waco a Razor Belt, containing barber shears, razors, combs, and [illegible]. Return to club barber shop, Mexia or notify Burnham and Febe, Austin, Texas. Reward. 9D2

LOST—Female pointer, liver and white; star on right fore leg; had on 1-2 inch leather strap with small ring; [illegible]. $5.00 reward for return to H. O. & B. [illegible]. 11D1

LOST—Between Coolidge and Mexia spare tire, rim and carrier with license No. [illegible] attached. Call W. A. Backer [illegible]. 8D1

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 16tf.

[illegible] a writer. But people who [illegible] will never believe it.

FOR SALE—J

FORD SIZE tires at special cheap prices. Phone 711. Ben W. Jackson Filling Station and Garage, corner Carthage and Denton streets. 7J4

WILL SELL 22 room apartment furnished at 812 East Palestine street cheap for cash, or will give easy terms on a small cash payment or may take a '23 or '21 Chevrolet or trade for Dallas property as first payment. Call or write 1221 First Ave., Dallas, Texas. 3J7

WILL SELL 22 room furnished apartment at 812 East Palestine street cheap for cash or will trade for Dallas property or take small cash payment, balance to suit. Joseph Trudgeon, 1221 First Ave., Dallas, Texas. 11J7

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—One 5 room house also two or three rooms furnished light housekeeping apartments. Close in. See them. 201 N. Bonham St. Phone 668-X. 6K7

FOR RENT—Two room furnished cottage. Modern; close in, also one large unfurnished room. Phone 557-J or call at 401 East Carthage. 9K3

FOR RENT—7 room house furnished, all modern conveniences on paved street, 610 East Carthage street. Phone 56W or 420. 10K3

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633. 8L26

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FOR RENT—Two or three room completely furnished apartment for housekeeping. Gas lights and water; also furnished three room shack. Rent very reasonable. Call 269-J, 712 E. Titus. 9L7

FOR RENT Furnished light housekeeping rooms. Close in, 515 N. Sherman. 9L7

FOR RENT—Two comfortable two room apartments, $18.00 per month each; gas, water and lights. 407 S. Kaufman. Phone 218. 9L3

FOR RENT—Furnished two room apartments, close in, modern conveniences, sink in kitchen. Phone 156L or apply 311 South Kaufman. 9L3

FURNISHED ROOMS—Hot and cold water, nicely furnished, suitable for business men; close in. 619 East Commerce street. 9L1

FOR RENT—To couple, apartment; two rooms and sleeping porch, partly furnished or unfurnished, modern conveniences, southeast exposure. Call at 802 East Main. Phone 276. 11L2

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished apartment for couple, hot and cold water, close in and on pavement. 502 East Main street. 11L2

NOTICE—C. Felz has opened a cash feed store on Paris street. One block East of City Hall. 10P7

SPORT SPARKS

By LES CONKLIN
(International News Service Staff Correspondent)

Horseshoe pitchers will soon hold annual contest. Some of the Giants' pitchers ought to enter the competition—from the way they got by last season they must have been pitching with a horseshoe.

Sport writers will pick champion lightweight of all time. How about the butcher?

Army buck private will play for Connie Mack's outfit. Out of the frying pan into the fire.

Big league manager says his pitchers are so wild that even the Mexican sharpshooters would ask waivers on them.

Wife of colored heavyweight says she never has to worry about laundry bills because her husband throws all of the family towels into the ring.

Pool player sued for divorce. Instead of minding his p's, he spent too much time with his cues.

When a golfer has a bad lie he usually tells one just as bad when turning in his score.

Married men are bound to be a bit skeptical in regard to Dempsey's statement that he will not fight after he takes a wife.

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Blake Smith was a Powell visitor Thursday where he went in connection with the drilling of shallow wells by the E. L. Smith Oil Company in that field.

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IF BACK HURTS FLUSH KIDNEYS

When your kidneys hurt and your back feels sore, don't get scared and proceed to load your stomach with a lot of drugs that excite the kidneys and irritate the entire urinary tract. Keep your kidneys clean like you keep your bowels clean, by flushing them with a mild, harmless salts which helps to remove the body's urinous waste and stimulate them to their normal activity.

The function of the kidneys is to filter the blood. In 24 hours they strain from it 500 grains of acid and waste, so we can readily understand the vital importance of keeping the kidneys active.

Drink lots of good water—you can't drink too much; also get from any pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help clean and stimulate clogged kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they are no longer a source of irritation, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to help keep their kidneys clean and active. Try this; also keep up the water drinking, and no doubt you will wonder what became of your kidney trouble and backache. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year. —(Adv.)

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A. C. McBride was a visitor to Mexia Monday from Waco.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate: Foreign Relations Committee meets.

Government reorganization committee continues hearings.

Agriculture committee continues hearings.

House: Considers interior appropriation bill.

Ways and Means Committee continues tax consideration.

Agriculture committee continues hearings on farm relief bills.

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According to an announcement by Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor, the First Methodist Church will be the center of a revival, culminating Easter Sunday. Mr. Andrews stated that he was making the announcement at present so that the membership might make their plans accordingly. He also stated that no outside help would be called in for the evangelical services, but that every Christian in the city is urged and will be urged to help make the meeting one of great success.

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Edgar Johnson, a prominent attorney and oil man of Breckenridge, has been a business visitor here for the past few days. He was accompanied by C. A. Dawson.

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A republic is a land in which statesmen wonder anxiously every four years what the people want.—Springfield Register.

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NOTICE

Bids will be received by the City Secretary of the City of Mexia up to five o'clock of Jan. 15th, 1924 for the paving N. Kaufman Street from the north line of Sumpter Street to city limits. Plans and specifications on file at the office of the City Engineer.

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James Blair Harris of Dallas was a business visitor in Mexia Thursday.

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17	Dallas Ft. Worth	4:35 a. m.
19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m.
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When Embroidery Adorns a Frock

Dress Designed To Be Hand-made

To say that a little frock is hand-made does not mean that it is difficult to make. One takes it that the model is carried out after a smart Paris model and in the daintiest manner possible—as, for instance, this little white batiste.

The method of making this dress is very simple and the three different stitches required for the seams and trimming are easy to understand. To begin with, the dress calls for 1½ yards of batiste 36 inches wide—very fine and soft in quality. For the yoke there will be needed 1/8 of a yard of dainty allover embroidery.

After the dress has been cut, it is joined together with French seams. To make the French seams (Fig. I) baste the dress right side out, then with hand-stitching (Fig. III) make a seam about ¼ of an inch outside of the seam line. Trim the edges down closely, remove bastings and press the seam together. Turn the garment to the reverse side and encase the raw trimmed edges by basting them inside of a seam a quarter of an inch wide. Be sure that the edges are well covered.

The roll seam (Fig. II) is used in joining the yoke to the dress. To make it, trim both edges of the material evenly, holding the edges together. Roll together the top thread of the edges of yoke and dress two or three times. Begin from the back of the work and whip the roll very closely together, being careful that the stitches come entirely under the roll and not through it. Draw the thread tightly.

For the running stitch, better known as hand-stitching, first fasten the thread with small back stitches.

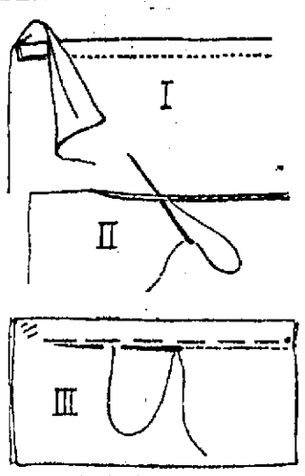

Fig. I—French Seam
Fig. II—Rolled and Whipped Seam
Fig. III—Hand Stitching

With dainty work have the needle and thread as fine as possible and take up several of these small stitches on a needle. Draw the needle through and continue until the seam is finished.

If it is desired to make the dress more decorative than the addition of an embroidery yoke [illegible] ties, the yoke may be put on with [illegible]ning or a narrow embroidery insertion.

FIVE RING CHAMPIONS TO PASS IN 1924

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Jan. 11. Several young men who were sitting high and handsome this time last year as ring champions are now members in good standing of that widely represented "Once Was" club.

Several of the young men who are now out in front have been proposed for membership in the "Has Beens" and they'll be eligible for admission before another year rolls around.

If for no other reason than there is a potent law of average that does tricks, five and maybe more champions will pass out in 1924.

This is only a guess, and it's not worth more than any guess.

Five world's champions slipped away in 1923 and the same number are dangerously near the slide this year, because they seem to lack the class to hold them up against stiff competition.

Jack Dempsey, Benny Leonard and Mickey Walker will not lose their titles this year.

Dempsey and Leonard are too good to be in danger from any opponent they may have to meet, and Walker is safe because he will not take a chance.

Mike McTigue is sure to lose the light-heavyweight championship the first time he meets a good contender.

Harry Greb is slipping and he will have more trouble making the middleweight limit as he grows older.

Johnny Dundee will lose the featherweight championship because he has gone back greatly and age is beginning to show on him.

Joe Lynch, the worst of all the title holders, will lose the bantamweight championship, if he can be forced to meet a good contender.

Pancho Villa will drop the flyweight championship because he is getting too heavy for the class and he is none too safe as he is now.

Dempsey will not defend his title more than two times because the purses that he would receive in three big fights would put him in a class in the income tax law where he would have to turn over to the government practically all of the purse of his third fight.

It was this little tax difficulty that forced Dempsey to call off the year's activity last year after the Firpo fight.

NORTH CAROLINA HAS BIG INCREASE IN COTTON SPINDLES

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., Jan. 11.—(United Press.)—In the great industrial drama, which marks the shift of the center of gravity of the American cotton industry from the northeast to the eastern cotton states, North Carolina plays the leading part.

Her spinning industry has hit a pace so rapid that no other state north or south of the Mason and Dixon line seems to be able to keep up with her in this respect.

During the last two decades the nation has increased its cotton spindles less than 50 per cent, while in North Carolina the increase has been more than 186 per cent, according to the University of North Carolina extension service. Massachusetts alone possesses a greater number of spindles than the Tarheel state now.

North Carolina has 18 per cent of the spindlage in America. Massachusetts has 29 per cent. In 1901 the figures were 36.3 per cent for the New England state and barely 8 per cent for North Carolina.

The industry in the central and western sections of the state is rapidly expanding, while more and more mills are being erected in the eastern, or tidwater section.

THE WEATHER

East Texas—Tonight fair and warmer. Saturday partly cloudy and warmer in east; colder in extreme northwest.

West Texas—Tonight and Saturday partly cloudy; probably snow flurries in Panhandle; warmer tonight in southeast; colder Saturday except in southeast.

Mortuary Statistics For Dallas In 1923 Shows Big Increase

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 11.—A new record for Dallas was set last year in the number of violent deaths that occurred, according to police records, which show 140 persons met violent deaths during the past 12 months.

A total of 40 homicidal deaths occurred during the year, the last one on December 31 when S. H. Ramsey was shot and killed in an altercation with his wife.

Motor vehicles claimed 33 victims during the year. Thirty were killed by automobiles while three received fatal injuries from motorcycles.

Nine persons died from heat, which is also a record for the city.

According to the homicide record gunshot wounds caused 38 deaths; stabbing one and beating one.

Seven persons were crushed to death in 1923 in Dallas.

Falling walls, cave-ins and falling weights are included in the list.

Accidental discharge of fire-arms claimed four lives. Seven died from accidental poisoning while two met death by lightning.

Twenty-three persons committed suicide, 12 choosing poison; eight using pistols and one, a knife.

Eleven persons burned to death and three died from electric shock. One death resulted from poisoned food.

And in the midst of plenty, four Dallasites died from starvation.

PIG'S AFFECTION FOR COW SAVES HIS NECK

(By International News Service)

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Jan. 10.—A little pig's affection for a cow will save him from the butcher.

Born in a slaughter house, the little porker was presented to O. K. Reed, Nevada cattleman, who took it to the Longstreet Ranch near here.

At the ranch the five-pound pig espied a cow nursing a calf. He took advantage of the cow's reclining position and "nosed in" for dinner. As the calf was almost weaned the pig returned regularly at meal times.

The foster mother accepted her obligation, and whenever the porker approached lay down to provide nourishment.

The pig now weighs 200 pounds, strictly milk-fed.

Reed declares this pig will never go to market.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 11.—Rain caused postponement until tonight of the 12-round bout between Eddie O'Dowd, Columbus and Harry Gordon, New York, bantams.

PEORIA, Ill.—Patsy Rocco, East Chicago middleweight, has been matched with Alex Trambits, California scrapper for the main bout of a show here tonight.

MIAMI, Fla.—Young Stribling, Georgia light heavyweight, knocked out Mike Nestor, New York, in the fifth round.

NEW YORK.—Jack Zivic, Pittsburgh light weight, won a 12-round decision from Pete August, Bridgeport.

HOLTON WELL IS GASSING—REPORT

(Groesbeck Journal)

The Holton well of the Pure Oil Company, three miles west of Groesbeck, is gassing at around 2940 feet. According to reports, the well began making gas as soon as the plug was drilled out Monday supposedly from a same sand that was encountered in both the Welch and Brown wells at a corresponding depth. Preparations are being made to drill the well deeper and to the Woodbine sand with cable tools.

There is much speculation about what the well will show when it reaches the Woodbine sand. The Welch well, about half a mile north a few hundred feet west of the Holton well showed a good flow of oil and gas in the sand reached just after passing through the first gas sand and doubtless would have been a producing oil well had it not been drilled into salt water. About half a mile south and a few hundred feet west the Brown well was drilled which developed into a monster gas well at a depth corresponding to the depth of the Welch well which showed good for oil production. In both the Welch well and the Brown well, it is said that a gas sand was opened just before reaching the oil in the Welch and the big gas found in the Brown well. Only the drill will determine whether the Holton well, now cautiously proceeding to the other sand, will be an oil well or another gasser as big or bigger than the Brown. Each side has its advocates and its geological backing, and either may be right. In either case the next day or two will determine.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate: Not in session.

House: Continues consideration Interior Department bill.

Committee on Foreign Affairs considers shipment arms to Mexico.

Ways and Means Committee considers tax bill.

Agriculture Committee considers farm relief.

Local News

C. A. Halnal was here from Denison Wednesday.

J. F. Cook of Corsicana was here Wednesday.

J. B. Jones was here Wednesday from Calvert.

Will Tubb was in the city from Waco Wednesday.

G. H. Hansen of Waco was in the city Thursday.

Jim Frazier was in the city Thursday afternoon.

J. A. Bowen of Waco was in Mexia last Wednesday.

J. E. Henderson of Ennis was in Mexia Wednesday.

T. Edgar Johnson of Cisco was in the city Wednesday.

W. C. Price of Waco was a Thursday visitor to Mexia.

W. Box was a Wednesday visitor to Mexia from Sonanton.

L. C. Evans was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday from West.

H. H. and C. Groeneman of Oakwood were visitors to Mexia Wednesday.

Dewey Miller, of Tehuacana was in Mexia Thursday afternoon on business.

A. A. Hyden of Groesbeck was a visitor here Friday on a visit with relatives.

Mrs. P. M. Box has returned to her home here, following a very delightful five weeks trip to New Orleans and Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Myers of Corsicana spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cartwright of 510 North Rusk street.

Roy Akin, Jr., has enlisted in the United States Navy and has gone to Sandiego, Cal. for training. The best wishes of his friends here will follow him.

Clifford Brown local agent for the Curtis Publishing Company is spending the week-end in Dallas attending a meeting of the company. He will return home Sunday.

WOMAN FINED

Thursday afternoon, Constable Joe Felz and Policeman Kennedy raided a house in the northwest part of town near the T. and B. V. railroad and arrested Mrs. Mattie Farrow on charges of having in her possession intoxicating liquors, and vagrancy. According to the officers about eight ounces of corn whiskey in a half gallon fruit jar was found, and the remains of several other jars originally containing liquor were found on the railroad right of way near the house.

The woman was released after paying a large fine.

MEXIA PRAISED BY SALVATION ARMY FOR SPLENDID CAMPAIGN

W. B. Landrum, chairman of the Salvation Army drive in Mexia, was a visitor in Dallas this week, where he had a conference with Colonel Geo. Woods, head of the Southwestern Division. The remarkable campaign in Mexia attracted favorable comment from Colonel Woods and the story of Mexia's success is being carried to corps all over the division.

Richard Dix
in the Paramount Picture
"The Call of the Canyon"
At the National Theatre Today

Too Late to Classify

Will buy E. L. Smith stock if sold at a bargain. Have some ready cash to buy this stock. Quote me your lowest price and see if we can trade. G. A. Lee, care News. 9-7

NOTICE—Main Hotel has just reopened under new management. Board $8.00 per week. Rooms 50c and $1.00. Single meals 40c. 11-1

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Springfield Lodge No. 74
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DANGER

Authorities tell us that the flu will be with us again this winter.

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By Dr. E. F. Bowers

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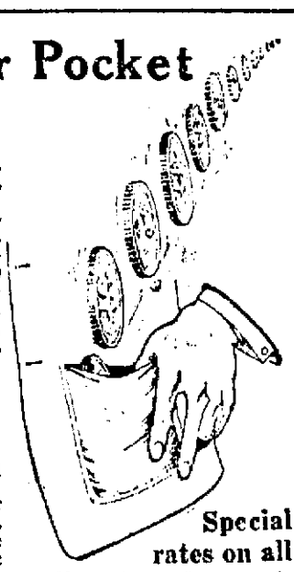

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Texas Ranger Movement Hidden In Secrecy

Lets Make Mexia A City Of Trees

By BEN F. STOLLENWERCK
(Before the Rotary Social Gathering Thursday Night).

I have been asked to give the "only serious address" of the evening and I have been notified that I would have ten minutes to talk about trees and tree planting. I am going to give you the happiest disappointment of your lives by lacking about eight minutes of doing what I was told to do and will hand you back the time in which to have a real good time, which you cannot do listening to a speech by me on trees.

Any town or city that builds up along strictly commercial lines, looking only to profits and dollars and cents with which to buy artificial luxuries descends in the scale to the work shop and loses the greatest charm that can come to either house or city, that of being a home. A home is a place you love, as being intertwined with memories of mother, childhood and the tender memories of early life. There can be no such thing as home without beauty. Things beautiful are first things of nature, then things of art. All true art is simply a portrayal of the beauties of nature, be it music, sculpture, or painting. Two of the greatest beauties in nature are trees and flowers. We can have them both right in the midst of our hum drum town and city life, and that without much expenditure of money. So cheap in fact that they are within the reach of the most humble.

David, the great poet of Israel, in the first chapter of his matchless Psalms, in describing God's greatest creation, a righteous man likened him to a tree saying "He shall be like a tree, planted by the rivers of water." Longfellow, in making a perfect setting for that classic that will live forever, "The Village Blacksmith", in order to give it a perfect setting began with a scene under a "spreading chesnut tree."

Trees

The groves were God's first temples. Ere man learned
To hew the shaft, and lay the architrave,
And spread the roof above them,—ere he framed
The lofty vault, to gather and roll back
The sound of anthems; in the darkling wood,
Amidst the cool and silence, he knelt down
And offered to the Mightiest solemn thanks
And supplications.—Bryant, A Forest Hymn.

No tree in all the grove but has its charms,
Though each its hue peculiar.—Cowper, The Task.
And all amid them stood the tree of life
High, eminent, blooming ambrosial fruit
Of vegetable gold.—Milton's Paradise Lost.
Spreading himself like a green bay-tree.—Psalms XXXVII:35.
Welcome, ye shades! ye bowery thickets hail!
Ye lofty pines, ye venerable oaks,
Ye ashes wild, resounding o'er the steep
Delicious is your shelter to the soul.
—Thompson. Seasons. Summer L469

In giving an idea of a man without the attributes that will attract and make people love him, and a man devoid of the ideal qualities, Shakespeare said, "He that hath no music in his soul, and is not moved by concord of sweet sounds, is fit for treason, stratagem and spoils and the motions of his soul are as dark as Erebus."

All great thinkers, materialists, as well as poets and dreamers have paid their tributes to the beautiful, as well as the good. Listen to what some of the poets have said about flowers:

Flowers

Sweet letters of the angel tongue,
I've loved ye long and well
And never have failed in your fragrance sweet
To find some secret spell,—
A charm that has bound me with witching power,
For mine is the old belief,
That midst your sweets and midst your bloom
There's soul in every leaf!
—M. M. Ballou, "Flowers"

Flowers have an expression of countenance as much as men and animals. Some seem to smile, some have a sad expression; some are pensive and different; others again are plain, honest and upright, like the broad faced sunflower and the hollyhock.—Henry Ward Beecher, A Discourse of Flowers.

Flowers are Love's truest language; they betray
Like the divining rods of the Magi Old,
Where precious wealth lies buried, not of gold,
But love. Strong love that never can decay.—Park Benjamin, "Flowers, Love's Truest Language."
They speak of hope to the fainting heart,
With a voice of promise they come and part
They sleep in dust through the wintry hours
They bring forth in glory—bring flowers, bright flowers.
—Felicia D. Hemans, Bring Flowers.

In Eastern lands they talk in flowers,
And they tell in a garland their loves and cares,
Each blossom that blooms in their garden bowers,
On its leaves a mystic language bears.
—Percival, The Language of the Flowers.

To me the meanest flowers that blows can give
Thoughts that too often lie too deep for tears.
—Wordsworth, Intimations of Immortality.

Let us not then think beautiful thoughts, quote beautiful lines, talk beautiful theories and then let the matter die. A town or city without beauty, such as trees, flowers, clean streets, parks and other evidences of refinement is either a work shop or a reflection of a population without the sympathy of love and affection. Let us tell the world through the beautiful trees, the flower beds and the parks, that Mexia is a city with a soul where its inhabitants love the beautiful and good. Let us each plant at least one tree during the coming year. It may be that long, long after we have been laid to rest, that tree will protect someone from the rays of a blistering sun, or make some traveler remark that "here is a place where some one in the days gone by thought of some one other than himself or herself."

New Cabinet Is Formed Friday By Venizelos

ATHENS, Jan. 11—Former Premier Venizelos completed the formation of a cabinet this evening. There is every indication that the government had sufficient support to endure and would be presented to the National Assembly over the week end.

Ten Are Injured In Train Wreck

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Jan. 11.—Ten persons were injured when five coaches on the Memphis special of the Southern railway, Memphis to New York, were derailed near Chase, Ala.

SENATOR WATSON NOT ASPIRANT FOR PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Senator James E. Watson has definitely decided not to be a candidate for the republican presidential nomination. Watson and other leaders decided to unite behind President Coolidge.

LUBBOCK.—Contract awarded for $1,000,000 paving project.

Oil Advance Arouses Jubilation In Fields

Expedition To Leave Austin This Afternoon

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 11.—Ranger officials refused to give any information on the movement of State Rangers out of Austin this afternoon. The expedition was scheduled to leave this afternoon. There is much speculation as to whether the Rangers are going to San Antonio, Corpus Christi or to the border. Eight Rangers assembled this morning for the trip.

Williamson's Booze Fight Simmering Down

MARION, Ill., Jan. 11.—With an agreement reached on liquor law enforcement in general, Williamson county's "booze war" simmered down today to a fight between Glen Young, "prohobition czar" and the forces of Sheriff George Galligan over raids on Saloons and homes in the county. Three companies of State troops are still stationed here and at Herrin. Sheriff Galligan will not ask for their recall for a day or two, it was said.

Samuel Stern, Ku Klux Klan cyclops and chairman of the Williamson County board of supervisors, promised cooperation with Sheriff Galligan.

Future warrants for liquor raids will be issued by Galligan and Stern instead of Young, whose militant leadership of "flying sqadrons," of Klansmen under Federal deputization without the knowledge of the local authorities brought on conditions that caused Galligan to ask the Governor to send the militia.

Young declares he would retain leadership of the Klan raids and would continue them "with or without Federal authorization."

John Layman, Galligan's trusted deputy, calling together 75 Herrin residents in whose homes and establishments liquor had been found, laid down the ultimatum that all bars must be removed from saloons.

Young was charged for the third time with felony today in a group of warrants sworn out by Alex Buggeri, baker of Herrin, charging larceny and assault. Buggeri swore he was yanked from his bed by Klan raiders under Young and forced to watch them enjoy a feast of his fresh bread and cheese.

Dallas Man Was Fined $25 For Neg. Homicide

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 11.—T. R. Reynolds was found guilty by a jury late yesterday afternoon and fined $25 on a charge of negligent homicide growing out of the death of Miss Myrtle Morley last July. Miss Morley died from injuries sustained when the car she was driving collided with the car driven by Reynolds.

Alleged Wife Beater Jailed

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 11.—Exhibiting welts on her daughter's legs, inflicted by beating with a chain, Mrs. Dan Messenger complained to officials and her husband is in jail facing assault charges. She declared that he beat her and her daughter until it was unbearable.

Another Rise Is Expected Soon Say Oil Men

Blake Smith of the E. L. Smith Oil Company returned last night from an inspection of the holdings of the company in the Powell fields and states that the shallow well of the company in their Ramsey lease will be bailed today and promises to make a nice producer. The sand in this well was encountered at 1478 feet and drilled to 1542 where liner was set. The offset of the Tidal Oil Company to this well is producing 85 barrels a day from a depth of 1485. This oil is 37 gravity and is selling for $1.35 a barrel the same as the deep pay. The sand is being drilled at 2840 on the Company's No. 1 Cerf and will be brought in within the next day or two.

Local oil men are jubilant because of the advance in price of Mexia, Currie and Powell crude. Blake Smith stated that the raise was equivalent to a vast increase in production, which would mean a considerably larger revenue for all operators in these fields.

J. K. Hughes stated that he has never felt better since he came to Mexia, making this statement before the Lions Club, of which he is president, today at noon. He stated that there were two reasons for it; first, the Lions are working harder than ever for Mexia and second oil had made a considerable advance. With this statement applause was general, indicating the high degree of satisfaction on the part of every business in this section.

Other oil men's comments were likewise appreciative of the rise, which they believe points to a brighter era than ever before for this section.

Blake Smith stated that he was of the opinion that the district is due for another advance, too, very soon.

New quotations on Mexia, Currie and Powell were posted Thursday by Humble Pipe Line Company and the Texas Pipe Line Company. The new prices for Powell crude is $1.35, an increase of 10c a barrel by both companies. The new price for Currie crude is $1.50 a barrel, a 15c advance by the Humble Company and a 25c advance by the Texas Company, while the new quotation on Mexia crude is $1.35 a barrel, a 10c advance on the part of both companies.

The new prices posted by the Texas Company here apply only to Powell, Currie and Mexia crudes, all being flat advances for the grades specified.

In addition to its flat increases on Powell, Currie and Mexia crudes, as given, the Humble Company posted new prices on Ranger crude as follows: Below 33 gravity $1, 33 to 35.9 gravity $1.25, 36 to 38.9 gravity $1.40, 39 gravity and above $1.50. A regrading is effected in Ranger crude by the Humble's new quotations. The new quotations list only four grades, while the company's last preceding price list, that of Dec. 27, 1923, showed five grades.

STRAY DOGS NOT ALLOWED IN CITY

Mayor Ernest Watson stated today that a crusade would be made by the city against stray dogs here. He stated that such a step was necessary on account of a mad dog being in the city recently, which makes it dangerous for the public for dogs to be loose down town. "Keep the dogs at home" is the injunction he issues, which is backed up by a city ordinance.

WASHINGTON.—National Women's Party will call an international conference to "end the subjection of women."

FORT WORTH.—Nearly 2,000,000 head of cattle passed through dipping vats of state during November, according to livestock sanitary commission.

Commands U. S. Aviators on World Flight.

Major F. L. Martin.

Major F. L. Martin, United States Army Air Service, former commander of Chanute Flying Field, Rantoul, Ill., has been selected by Major General Mason Patrick, commanding the Air Service, to take command of the four Douglas World cruisers that have been built by the Army for a flight around the world, the trip to be made in the Spring and Summer of 1924.

Outlaw's Son Surrenders In Florida

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 11—Bill Ashley, son of John Ashley, outlaw leader who was killed in a battle with posses, surrendered in the Everglades this afternoon. John Ashley, Jr., last of the robber gang, is still at large. He is expected to be captured late this afternoon, posse leaders declared.

Mexican Consul To Probe Mexia Death

DALLAS, Jan. 11.—Representatives of the American and Mexican Governments will personally investigate the death Tuesday in Mexia of Mucio Arredondo, an aged Mexican, it was announced Thursday by Charles E. Breinman, chief of the special agents of the Department of Justic in Dallas. Servando Barrera-Guerra, Mexican Consul in Dallas informed the Department of Justice officials that he had information which warranted a thorough investigation of the affair, it was said.

The consul, Mr. Breinman and possibly other Department of Justice officials will leave for Mexia Friday and will go thoroughly into the case, it was announced Thursday by both Mr. Berinman and Mr. Barrera-Guerra. All the information which has been received by the Department of Justice officials is in newspaper report that Mucio Arrendondo, 68 years old, was arrested by officers in Mexia for an alleged attack upon the wife of one of the officers, and that he was shot while attempting to escape.

New Baby Reunited Divorced Couple

FORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 11.—A new born babe today had retied the severed marriage bonds of Jennie and Thomas McGinn, of Waxahachie, Tex.

Appearing before Justice Hal Hughes here, the couple declared the arrival of the babe has caused them to reconsider and that they now desire to be re-married.

"Our divorce was a mistake, just as most divorces are," McGinn said. "The little one made everything look different."

$42,000 Cash Loot Taken From Employe Of Kansas City Bank

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 11.—Five negro bandits held up two messengers of a Main tsreet bank and escaped with $42,000 in cash. The bandits speed away in automobiles after robbing the messengers at the bank entrance.

A. HYDEN ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR LIMESTONE TAX ASSESSOR

A. A. Hyden of Groesbeck was in Mexia today on a visit with his son, N. B. Hyden, a postal employee here, and while in town requested The News to announce his entrance into the race for Tax Assessor of Limestone County, subject to the democratic primaries of this year.

Mr. Hyden is one of the best known men in the county. He was candidate for the office in 1920 and received a splendid vote, which he states he deeply appreciates. Quite a number of fellow citizens have urged him to run for the office this year.

He was born in Limestone County, the son of a pioneer of the section, and is, indeed, a product of the county where he has remained all his life.

Mr. Hyden will endeavor to see all of the voters in the county and states that he will appreciate deeply all favors and consideration at the hands of the great electorate.

HICKORY TEA BY PARENTS URGED FOR WAYWARD DAUGHTER

Constable Joe Felz and Policeman Kennedy Thursday investigated the theft of a phonograph and found the thief to be a girl of about 12 whose parents were poor. It was found that the girl had been stealing a number of articles which she would take to the second hand stores in town and dispose of for small sums of money.

As this was being done without the knowledge of her parents, the child was carried home where her father was directed to use a generous application of hickory tea as a reminder that crime doesn't pay in any form. The name of the child is out of courtesy to her parents not given.

HIGH SCHOOL PUPIL SUSPENDED FOR TERM

MACON, Ga., Jan. 11.—Young Stribling, light-heavyweight boxer, was barred today from Lanier High School.

The board of directors upheld the action of the school superintendent in suspending Stribling for the remainder of the term, "because of too many absences."

C. R. Bruce, superintendent of the board, stated Stribling could re-enter school at the beginning of the next term, but if absent three days in succession without an excuse, he would be dropped again.

YOUNG MULES STRAY FROM EVERETT FARM

Hugh Everett reports the losing of two mules from his farm about eight miles east of town. He states that they have been gone about ten days. One is a bay mare mule and the other mouse colored mare mule. Both are about 14½ hands high and four years old, unbroken. Mr. Everett believes they have simply strayed away from the farm and is offering a reward for their return.

Every state in the nation except six has made provision for bonuses or assistance to ex-soldiers. These benefits are estimated to total over $184,000,000. In addition, the national government gave bonuses at time of discharge.

Officers Are Elected For Legion Post

The Nowlin Post of the American Legion held a rousing meeting Thursday night at Legion Hall, at which time new officers were elected for the year 1924 and a program for a year of community and patriotic service discussed with enthusiasm.

Owen F. Watkins was re-elected Post Commander, his first year of service in that capacity being a subject of much gratification. Judge Watkins stated that he was much elated over prospects for the year and is determined to give the organization freely of his time and thought in order that it might become a notably helpful unit in community life here.

Charles G. Puckett, superintendent of the Mexia Public Schools, was elected first vice commander; W. S. Banks, attorney for the J. K. Hughes Oil Company and Developing Company, was elected second vice commander; Warren Dale, a local attorney, was elected adjutant; H. J. Hawk was elected post seargeant at arms; A. Garland Adair was elected historian and Rev. Joe Jeffers, pastor of the First Baptist church, was elected chaplain.

BUREAU CHANGES SWEEPING AND EFFECTIVE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11. — The United States Veterans Bureau has been reorganized on "sound business principles" and is ready to "get down to work," Director Hines announced. Sweeping administrative changes are effective today, involving the shifting of division heads, is announced.

POWELL FIELD IS ONE YEAR OLD NOW

This week marks the first anniversary of the discovery of the Powell oil field of the Mexia district. Thirty years before this date, the first shallow oil field West of the Mississippi was discovered in the adjoining county of Navarro, which field is yet producing.

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A PRACTICAL PROGRAM FOR 1924

Mexia's needs are numerous. Some of them are major while others are minor. Some of them create imperative demands upon the public, if Mexia is to become a bigger and better city. While achieving big things, the little ones should not be neglected.

The News offers the following list of needs that should be given attention in 1924 and carried to a successful conclusion:

1. **The water situation completely solved.** Mexia's water situation is not fully understood by many citizens. The conditions are by no means bad. In fact they are very promising. With an adequate supply of water available and of a pure quality, the proposition is largely one of bringing it to town and having at all times a reserve close at hand to take care of the city for a reasonable period in case of accident, breaking of the main leading to the corporate limits, or in case of a big fire. The News suggests a committee of citizens to go over the situation immediately, appointed by the city officials to make recommendations that will at all times assure Mexia an abundnace of pure water and prevent a recurrence of a water scarcity experienced last summer, to lead ultimately also to a reduction in the price to the consumer.

2. **More light for Mexia streets,** with particular attention to dark spots in the residential areas, alleys, in front of all local churches and schools, and a White Way for the business district. These are mentioned in the order of their importance.

3. **A Memorial Building, including a City Auditorium,** which may be used as a community center, and also so arranged as to enable Mexia to become a convention center in this part of Texas.

4. **The Hughes City Park beautified and equipped** so that it may prove a real playground for the children and a place of recreation and rest for all, with attention also given to a tourist camp for parties traveling through in autos on cross country trips.

5. **A ceaseless campaign for public health,** with constant attention by citizens to their premises in cooperation with the city sanitary department; no open sewers and cess pools of filth and disease; and all possible breeding spots for mosquitoes oiled frequently, and the paved streets kept clean all the time.

6. **Realizing agriculture is the permanent basis for general prosperity in this section,** The News urges a more zealous endeavor to cooperate with the farmers of this territory in land conservation; the development of fertilizing plants and the offering of premiums on best farm crops for 1924.—along the lines recently suggested by J. W. Stubenrauch.

7. **A larger tin bucket brigade for Mexia**—the new cotton mills to be the initial step forward in making this an industrial center of great moment.

8. **Always back up campaigns of local churches and schools** in their ambitious plans to meet the spiritual and educational and social needs of the community.

9. **The paving program completed,** including the paving of the alleys and the improvement of all unpaved streets.

10. **Constant encouragement should be given to home seekers and home builders.**

11. **A new city charter** to suit conditions, properly presented and fully discussed and understood by the citizens prior to the day they are called to the polls to vote on it.

12. **Lower fire insurance key rate,** and lower rates for all public utilities as rapidly as consistent with public weal.

WINNING PEACE PLAN IN BRIEF

I. ENTER THE PERMANENT COURT

That the United States adhere to the Permanent Court of International Justice for the reasons and under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1923.

II. CO-OPERATE WITH THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS, WITHOUT FULL MEMBERSHIP AT PRESENT.

That without becoming a member of the League of Nations as at present constituted, the United States Government should extend its present co-operation with the league and propose participation in the work of its assembly and council under the following conditions and reservations:

Safeguarding of Monroe Doctrine.

1. The United States accepts the League of Nations as an instrument of mutual counsel, but it will assume no obligation to interfere with political questions of policy or internal administration of any foreign state.

In uniting its efforts with those of other states for the preservation of peace and the promotion of the common welfare, the United States insists upon the safeguarding of the Monroe Doctrine and does not abandon its traditional attitude concerning American independence of the Old World and does not consent to submit its long established policy concerning questions regarded by it as purely American to the recommendatioin or decision of other powers.

No Military or Economic Force

2. The only kind of compulsion which nations can freely engage to apply to each other in the name of peace is that which arises from conference, from moral judgment, from full publicity and from the power of public opinion.

The United States will assume no obligations under Article 10 in its present form, or under Article 16 in its present form in the covenant, or in its amended form as now proposed, unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

The United States proposes that Article 10 and 16 be either dropped altogether or so amended and changed as to eliminate any suggestion of a general agreement to use coercion for obtaining conformity to the pledges of the covenant.

No Obligations Under Versailles Treaty

3. The United States will accept no responsibilities under the treaty of Versailles unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

League Open to All Nations

4. The United States proposes that Article 1 of the covenant be construed and applied, or, if necessary, redrafted, so that admission to the league shall be assured to any self-governing state that wishes to join and that receives the favorable vote of two-thirds of the assembly.

Development of International Law

5. As a condition of its participation in the work and counsels of the league, the United States asks that the assembly and council consent—or obtain authority—to begin collaboration for the revision and development of international law, employing for this purpose the aid of a commission of jurists. This commission would be directed to formulate anew existing rules of the law of nations, to reconcile divergent opinions, to consider points hitherto inadequately provided for, but vital to the maintenance of international justice, and in general to define the social rights and duties of states. The recommendatioins of the commission would be presented from time to time, in proper form for consideratioin, to the assembly as to a recommending if not a law-making body.

VOTE YOUR OPINION

The Plan In Brief

Proposes—

I. That the United States shall immediately enter the Permanent Court of International Justice, under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1923.

II. That without becoming a member of the League of Nations as at present constituted, the United States shall offer to extend its present co-operation with the league and participate in the work of the league as a body of mutual counsel under conditions which

1. Substitute moral force and public opinion for the military and economic force originally implied in Articles 10 and 16.
2. Safeguard the Monroe Doctrine.
3. Accept the fact that the United States will assume no obligations under the treaty of Versailles except by act of Congress.
4. Propose that membership in the league should be opened to all nations.
5. Provide for the continuing development of international law.

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TEXAS OUTLOOK BRIGHT

Industrial activity continues on a satisfactory basis and there is very little unemployment apparent in any section of this State, other than that which is seasonal. Building activities continue unabated, particularly construction of brick, stone, and cement projects, and craftsmen of this kind are virtually all absorbed. The industrial employment outlook for 1924 is excellent. With the possible exception of bituminous coal mining and oil well activities, employment opportunities for all classes of labor will be greater than during the year just ended. Generally speaking, the farmers had a prosperous year and are enthusiastic over the prospects for the new year.

Mexia is going to encourage farming this year more than she ever has in her long and varied history of progress and development, while at the same time, the courageous oil men of the section are making their arrangements and plans to discover new pools of hidden wealth in the great Mexia territory.

With a new year on, every citizen here is glad that he is here, in a community that bristles with opportunity, and welcomes the newcomer to city, farm, factory and field.

CO-OPERATION BY LOCALS, ONLY WAY TO SOLVE PROBLEM OF PROHIBITION

By S. P. HOLLINGSWORTH
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

HARRISBURGH, Jan. 11 (United Press.)—Can prohibition be enforced?

The Pennsylvania state police are trying to answer this question for the benefit of the state and nation.

At the end of a year in conducting Governor Pinchot's dry crusade, they have come to the conclusion, according to Major Lynn G. Adams, superintendent, that without local co-operation, prohibition is a failure.

"The state police have been pioneers in this work, it seems," said Adams, in an interview.

"And the most we have gotten is criticism."

Strangely enough, most of the criticism has come from ministers, dry "enthusiasts" and prohibition organizations of the state, according to Adams.

In each instance, the "open violation of the law" is complained of and in many cases the state police are charged with failing in their duty.

The state troopers are compelled to mingle with all elements and in some cases must "sample" all kinds of bootleg stuff to get evidence.

Ministers hold up their hands at this sort of enforcement, Adams said.

"Prohibition enforcement is not a pink-tea affair," Adams continued. "With our limited force it is not possible to get every violator. We work night and day in almost every case that is handled.

"But what we are doing is to show these little communities, of which there are hundreds in Pennsylvania, as well as the big cities like Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, that there is a method that produces results and we are leaving it to the local police authorities to adopt that method if they want to enforce this law."

The kind of co-operation asked by the state police, if the people actually want the law enforced, is action on the part of local authorities, willingness on the part of citizens to testify in liquor prosecutions and constructive criticism of the methods employed so that better results may be obtained.

"To those who say the state police are concentrating their entire energy on prohibition enforcement, to the exclusion of other crime detection," Adams declared, "it might be said that with 50 state police for the entire state last year more than 50 murderers were caught, about 7,000 arrests for other crimes were made, and thousands of dollars worth of stolen property recovered."

"Tax-exempt securities are thwarting the development of industrial enterprises" says Franklin T. Griffith, President of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.

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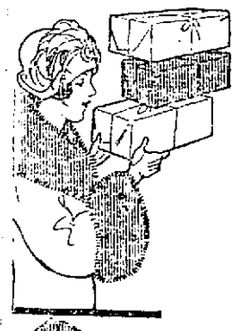

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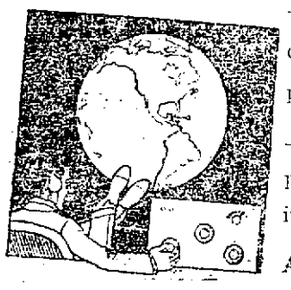

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Conditions Better Than In Boom Days Golden Lane Production Source Of Wonder

The following is an article appearing in Thursday's issue of The Dallas Morning News, written by Curtis Vinson, Staff Correspondent who spent Monday and Tuesday here:

The story of the Mexia oil field, so rich in the spectacular during the hectic days of 1921 and 1922, is a quiet chronicle of settled production and little display as the new year moves on across the calendar. The excitement of roaring gushers, the push of frenzied crowds, the medley of a boom town's noises are gone. But with the departure of these conditions there has also been a leave-taking of others. Mexia's streets are no longer hogwallows of sticky mud, Mexia's schools are no longer inadequate to care for the children who ask admittance at their doors. Mexia's business section and outlying districts are no longer filled with throngs of idle men who make for idle and sometimes reprehensible pursuits.

Approximately seven miles of paving in the business section and in the residential districts cover thoroughfares that were negotiated only with great difficulty during rainy weather when the oil boom held sway. Much building has been completed, including the school building program that represents an expenditure of $330,000. Business is healthy and growing. Mexia has come out of the boom day period stronger, healthier and with better prospects ahead than is the case with most towns emerging from the whirlpool of an oil rush.

Production Is Settled.

Activity in the Mexia oil field proper has now resolved itself into the simple task of gathering the settled production from the 519 producers of the field. All the wells are on the pump and little if any new drilling activity is in evidence in the old field. However, to the northeast in Freestone County, in the southern part of Limestone County and still further south in Falls County in the vicinity of Chilton, some new drilling activity is found, activity that promises to grow with the aging of 1924.

The daily average production of the Mexia field proper on the first of January was approximately 40,000 barrels. Coming from 519 wells, this total shows an average daily yield of about seventy-five barrels a well. Of the total yield of the field, the Humphreys Oil Company, now the property and under the supervision of the Pure Oil Company, is producing approximately 18,000 barrels daily, from 270 wells. Something of the constancy of settled production is shown by comparison of the Humphreys production now and a year ago. On Jan. 1, 1923, the Humphreys daily yield was around 25,000 barrels. It is now 18,000 barrels, a drop of only 7,000 barrels in daily yield over a period of a year being shown.

Total Yield 57,000,000 Barrels.

The total yield of the Mexia field from the time it was opened until Jan. 1 of this year, accounts for 57,132,000 barrels of oil. Of this total, the Humphreys Oil Company has produced 21,500,000 barrels.

Production records show that the Currie and Richland districts had yielded up to Jan. 1, 1924, a total of 3,552,000 barrels of oil. The daily average production of the Currie and Richland districts at present is 3,000 barrels. This production is coming from sixty-seven wells, showing a daily average yield of approximately sixty barrels a well.

The Powell deep pay field has produced during the one year of its life, from January, 1923, to January, 1924, a total of 30,800,000 barrels of oil, almost 60 per cent of the total life production of the Mexia field so far. During the month of December, 1923, the Powell field produced 1,020,000 barrels of oil. The daily average production of the Powell field at present is around 91,000 barrels from 575 wells, an average daily yield of approximately 160 barrels a well.

Much Oil in Storage.

Mexia, Currie, Richland and Powell crude in storage at Mexia, Corsicana and Groesbeck on Jan. 1, 1924, totaled 27,900,000 barrels. In addition to this, the Magnolia Petroleum Company held on that date in storage facilities in the district in question a total of 350,000 barrels of Ranger crude and 587,000 barrels of Healdton crude, and the Humble Company held 700,000 barrels of Ranger crude. Companies holding the 27,900,000 barrels of oil in storage at Mexia, Corsicana and Groesbeck on Jan. 1 included in addition to the Magnolia and Humble Companies, the Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing Company, the Texas Pipe Line Company, the Prairie Pipe Line Company, the Humphreys Oil Company (Pure Oil,) Atlantic Oil Producing Company, Cobden Fuel Company, Galena Signal and smaller companies.

While there is little prospects of the new year bringing any renewal of drilling activities within the Mexia field proper, oil men are watching developments in Freestone County and in the southern part of Limestone County with considerable interest. The two most interesting tests in Freestone County at present appear to be that of Carter & Lytle on the Hackney farm, three miles east of Wortham and that of Shirley & Gillespie at Cotton Gin, known as the Hackney-Weaver test. The Carter & Lytle test, three miles southeast of Wortham, is drilling day and night, being below 1,600 feet. Three-quarters of a mile east of this test is the test drilled two years ago on the Wright farm by the Texiana Oil Company, in which a showing of oil was reported around 3,165 feet. This latter test was drilled to 3,400 feet, but did not develop into a well.

Shirley and Gillespie's Hackney-Weaver test is midway between Teague and Mexia. A. P. Shirley is in charge of this operation, which is down around 1,350 feet. These interests hold a block of acreage and have made another location two miles west of Teague, according to reports.

Test Near Butler Salt Dome.

Half a mile from the test made by the Dorado Oil Syndicate on the Edwards ranch in the southeast corner of Freestone some time ago, a new location for a test has been made, according to reports, by L. A. Smith et al. The site of this latter test is eighteen miles southeast of Teague in what is known as the "old apple orchard." This test is reported rigging up and several thousand acres are understood to be under lease. This L. A. Smith et al, test on the Edwards ranch is in the vicinity of the Butler salt dome, twenty miles east of Teague, which, according to reports, may be the scene of some play during the earlier part of the year. Several tests in Freestone County are now standing idle due to weather conditions, lack of water and other reasons.

In Limestone County oil men are watching the Humphreys Oil Company's test on the Holton tract, three miles west of Groesbeck, and the Sandy Ridge Oil Company's Fabors No. 1 on Sandy Ridge, five miles east of Thornton. The Humphreys Holton was reported making 4,000,000 cubic feet of gas Wednesday morning when the plug was drilled out. Drilling was resumed Wednesday afternoon in hopes of getting oil. Gas was encountered at 2,905 feet and the pressure was reported increasing during Wednesday.

Other Tests Now Drilling

The Sandy Ridge test is below 4,685 feet, according to reports. These two operations represent virtually all the activity in Limestone County outside the Mexia field, though Roscoe Cook et al. are reported to be making arrangements to resume drilling in the Mexia Red Seal Oil Company's test on the Roscoe Cook farm, five miles southeast of Mexia, which is already down 3,603 feet. It is also reported that the Mexia Land Leasing Association will drill the Moody test near Tehuacana deeper. This test is now 3,015 feet deep.

The Chilton district in Falls County where the Post Oak Oil Company brought in a producer on the Taylor tract is holding considerable interest. The Post Oak Oil Company's producer, the Taylor No. 1, was brought in at 1,150 feet with daily yield of 174 barrels. Oil is of 32 gravity. This shallow production is reported coming from the lime.

The second completion of this district was the Seay-Cranfill and Reynolds' Randolph No. 1, a 200-barrel well at 1,083 feet. These same interests are down 850 feet in test on the Chance tract. The J. K. Hughes Developing Company is drilling on the T. C. Westbrook tract, being down around 600 feet. Seven tests in all are under way in the Chilton area. The area appears to be erratic, as the second test of the Post Oak Oil Company on the Ttylor tract, close to the discovery well, proved a dry hole. It is understood the Humble Pipe Line Company is laying a three-inch line from the field to the town of Chilton.

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MRS ARNESON LONG TO BE REMEMBERED BY BRYAN FRIENDS

Mrs. Ed P. Arneson of San Antonio during a recent visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Park, for the Christmas holidays, gave so much of pleasure to her many friends and to the city at large, in her very artistic and impressive readings on various programs, that many friends desire to thus give public expression of their thanks and appreciation. Mrs. Arneson appeared on the Christmas program given by the Woman's Club in a reading, "The End of the Rainbow," which was so fine of thought, and so impressively given by the reader, that it charmed her hearers, and she was urged to repeat the reading at the Sunday night program given at the First Baptist church. Mrs. Arneson very graciously consented to do so, and the unanimous verdict of the entire audience which filled the church to overflowing was that it was the most impressive and artistic number ever given in Bryan by a reader. Mrs. Arneson's many friends are proud of the wonderful talent she possesses, and always welcome her visits to her old home in Bryan.—Bryan Eagle.

And Mexia also shares in the above sentiments of appreciation and pride, for it was here that Mrs. Arneson, nee Anita Park, was born and grew to girlhood and afterwards developed into a beautiful and accomplished woman. Her many old time friends here are always glad to hear from her and to share in the honors that come to her through her many accomplishments.

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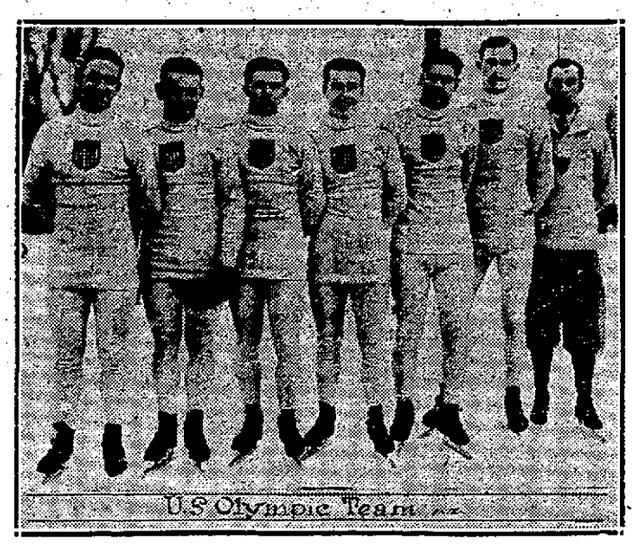
BROWNSVILLE.—New Sharyland packing plant turns out first carload of citrus fruit.

of citrus fruit. 2,000 acres of land leased in various parts of Van Zandt county for oil and gas development.

SKATERS WILL REPRESENT U. S. IN OLYMPICS.



Above are pictured the members of the American ice skating team selected to represent America in the skating events at Chamonix, in the French Alps, early in 1924, the points there made to count in the 1924 Olympic games, the major portion of which will be contested in Paris next Summer. Left to right they are: "Duke" Donovan, of St. Paul, Minn.; Valentine Blalis, of Lake Placid, N. Y.; Harry Kaskey, of Chicago; Joe Moore, of New York City; Charles Jewtraw, of Lake Placid, N. Y.; William Steinmetz, of Chicago, and William Taylor, coach and manager.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY

Central Presbyterian Christian Endeavor Society, Sunday, Jan. 13, 6:15 p. m.

Warren J. Dale, president.

Subject—How and when Jesus prayed.

Song, No. 109—Sweet Hour of Prayer.

Song, No. 227—Did You Think to Pray?

Scripture Reading—John 17:1-26.

Jesus at Prayer.

1.—Miss McDonald

2.—Mr. Taylor Jordan.

3.—Mr. Robert Storey

4.—Miss James

5.—Miss Keith.

Solo—"Spend One Hour With Jesus."—Miss Fielder, accompanied by Miss Gibson.

Jesus in Prayer.—Mr. Dale.

Jesus' Public Prayers.—Miss Sporer

Jesus' Words on Prayer.—Mr. Jordan and Mr. Arrington.

What do Jesus' Recorded Prayers Show as to His Chief Desire?—Rev. Victor K. Aubrey.

Mizpah Benediction.

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PRAISES NEWS

A letter comes today from the "Little Mother's Aid Association," of New York City, in which the President Mrs. Henry Burrough Lloyd, says:

"Have enjoyed your paper thoroughly and consider your publication a live wire."

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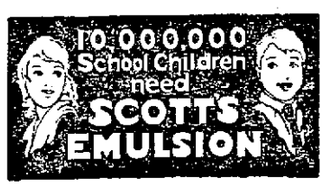

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OIL FEVER DRAWS FARMER FROM FIELDS AND CAUSES DEPRESSION. SAYS EXPERT

By CARL L. TURNER
(International News Service Staff Correspondent)

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 11.—High freight rates were forced to share the position of chief farm disturber today when reports from various sections of the Southwest revealed that oil and gas development has created a chaotic condition in many formerly prosperous farming counties in Oklahoma, Arkansas and Northern Texas.

While farms in general have not suffered to a great extent, one grave enough to be considered alarming, serious consequences were foreseen by many county agents unless farmers spend more attention on farm production and less on work in oil development.

The report of J. W. Riley, county agent of Creek County, Oklahoma, is cited as representative of the consensus of agriculturists queried. He said:

"Agricultural conditions in my county were worse at the beginning of the year than at that period of the year during the last decade.

"Coupled with the financial status in the county we might say the morale of the farm folk was just about as low as it could possibly get, from the viewpoint of successful agriculture.

"As has been stated in pervious, reports, the oil and gas spirit of development and production has created a chaotic condition.

"Quite a number of good farms, wholly or in part, were idle this year because of the demand at the opening of the agricultural activity for workers and teams in the oil fields.

"A number of these farms, owned by good farmers and good business men, lay idle because a renter for one year could not be depended upon to attend to the farm throughout that period; the tenant would get his crop planted and, when an opportunity presented itself, would take his team to work in the oil fields, neglecting his farm interest and that of his landlord.

"No permanent agricultural development can be done here or in any other sector until the landowner himself is imbued with the idea that productive soil is the basis of all permanent prosperity. While many land holders will admit the veracity of this statement, yet there is a lack of vision of possible future accomplishments in agriculture for the reason that the almighty dollar has been too close to the eye and has obscured the larger and more permanent resources of the country."

Other defenders of agriculture pointed out that the development of oil fields not only is attracting wholesale numbers of farm workers, but the drilling and further of oil lays waste too many acres of valuable farm lands almost daily.

Chief among the products to be affected as a result of drilling, it was learned, is cotton.

Agriculturists, almost without exception, expressed the belief that attempts to prevent farm labor from joining the ranks of the oil workers, where they receive big weekly dividends on their labor, would prove futile. Working with this in mind, they are urging employment of the diversified system of farming to bring out the best from farms unhampered by the bright light of oil-field dividends.

"The plan of Southern farmers must shift from straight cotton farming to a more diversified plan, using poultry, dairy cows and other livestock," Riley advised. "'Live at home!' is our slogan, and here and there over the country we find farmers who are trying to change their system of farming. This, of course, is possible if the resident owns the farm, but it is slow work where 75 per cent of the farmers are renters, sublessees or share-croppers, with no housing for livestock.

"The attitude of the banker and the merchant has always been one of helpfulness, consistent with good business practices, but the character of the risks the banker is asked to take is such that he is compelled to be very conservative in financing agriculture."

Why cook a Sunday dinner when you can be served with a delicious course at the Majestic Cafe for 50 cents.

The February McCall's Magazine on sale at Pioneer News Stand.

Try Sulphur On An Eczema Skin

Any breaking out of the skin, even fiery, itching eczema, can be quickly overcome by applying Mentho-Sulphur, declares a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, this sulphur preparation instantly brings ease from skin irritation, soothes and heals the eczema right up and leaves the skin clear and smooth.

It seldom fails to relieve the torment without delay. Sufferers from skin trouble should obtain a small jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur from any good druggist and use it like cold cream.—(Adv.)

OIL

The possibilities of a shallow gas as well as a shallow oil field in and about the deep field area, are yet to be told. Commercial gas is known to exist in the southwestern area of the field, with shallow oil extending practically over the entire 2500 avres the field covers.

The Atlantic Company recently developed a big gasser on the Kellum tract, the flow being harnessed for fuel purposes in the field.

The No. 9 Rose of the Simms Oil Company from a depth of 1243 feet, is making abcut 17,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day, it is reliably reported. The Lone Star Gas Company is running the production.

Reports from the McDonald well at Richland are that the well is showing oil in heads. It is reported that oil in several small heads made its way into the tank through the pipe connections. The well will probably develop into a small but paying producer. The hole had been deepened, and the bailer run again.

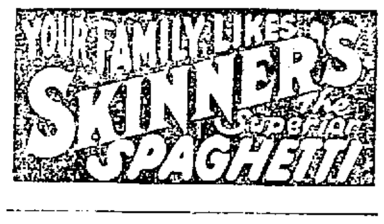
The McDonald No. 1 Swink is drilling around 2700 feet. The Lewis well on the Swink tract is drilling deeper with standard tools.

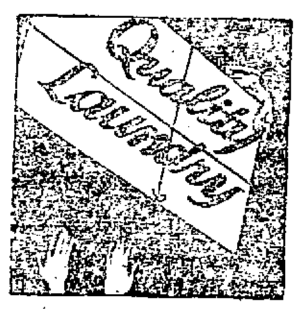
The Texas-Magnolia D. T. Kent No.16 test in the oil fields was completed late Tuesday with an initial flow of 300 barrels of oil a day. This well is considerably to the north of the proven center and will likely mean the drilling of additional offsets. It is located about 160 feet southeast of the Hughes-Peck failure.

RESTAURANTS KID PUBLIC TO EMPTY SEATS QUICKLY

(By International News Service)

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 10.—A novel scheme for speeding up eating in rush periods is employed by local restaurateurs. They set their clocks five to ten minutes ahead. Patrons view the advancing hour with alarm, hastily finish their meals and dash back to work, leaving room for new customers.





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NEW-WAY LAUNDRY

Texan Invents Automatic Stop For R. R. Train

ALPINE, Texas, Jan. 11.—Submission to the interstate commerce commission of a patented automatic train control device invented by S. G. Smith of Alpine will be made soon by Smith who went to Washington recently on business in connection with the invention.

The device would automatically stop trains, according to Smith, when danger lurks ahead on the track.

Smith declares his invention not only is positive in action but is also practicable in its installation.

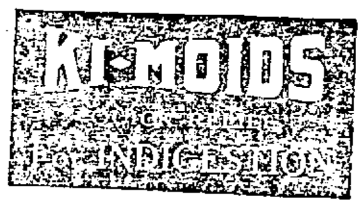
Love May Be Blind!

But before you can impress someone of the opposite sex enough to get them to share this happy state of mind with you, you certainly must keep your appearance pleasing and attractive. Pimply, blotchy, eczemic skin seems ten times worse to strangers and new acquaintances. And even husbands, wives, parents and kin feel sorry for loved ones who suffer from such skin diseases.

The way to get rid of all these drawbacks to unbroken affection and devotioin from dear ones as well as new acquaintances, is to use the wonderful Black and White Ointment. It is economically priced, in liberal packages. The 50c size contains three times as much as the 25c size. All dealers have it.—(Adv).

A CORRECTION

In the article appearing in Wednesday's News, referring to the fire of last Saturday night, an error in name was made. The building referred to was owned by our esteemed fellow townsman. D. A. Kerzee and in the fire insurance adjustment $695 was paid instead of $66 as reported.



Counterfieters Nest In Burned Building

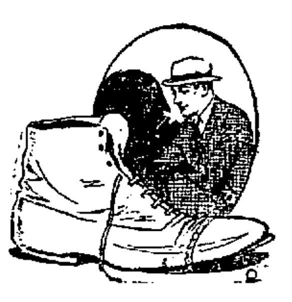
HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 10.—Flames which razed a rooming house here last week also bared a counterfeit money mill.

One hundred and forty half dollar pieces and two molds were found in the smoking ruins of the house.

Some of the coins had "milled" edges while others had not yet been put through the machines.

PILOT POINT, Texas, Jan. 10.—J. Winston Peel, 25, assistant cashier of the Pilot Point National bank, lost his left foot as a result of an accident while on a hunting trip Tuesday. Peel's gun was accidentally discharged, the shot striking him in the foot. He was taken to a Sherman hospital where it was found necessary to ampu tate.

SAN ANTONIO.—Oil and gas leases are taxable in Texas and the tax must be paid by holdr of lease, as a result of final action of Supreme Court of Texas.



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CROWDED FOR SPACE IN MISSOULA, MONT., JAIL

(By International News Service)

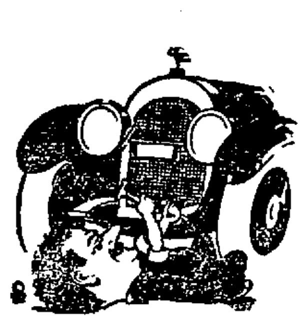
MISSOULA, Mont., Jan. 10.—Over at Polson, the county seat of Lake County, the jail is so full of prisoners that the sheriff has been crowded out and has been compelled to seek uptown office quarters. Since the sheriff moved his office into a business block his former office rooms in the jail have been worked over into additional cell space for prisoners.

DALLAS.—Six-story warehouse to cost $100,000 to be erected at corner of Collin and Carter streets.

BRECKENRIDGE.—Souders and Fisher Company starts construction of $200,000 gasoline manufacturing plant.

TYLER.—Price-Booker Manufacturing Company contracts for cucumbers from 400-acre tract, erection of hugs

Lunch and dinner served at Majestic Cafe in family style per meal 50 cents.



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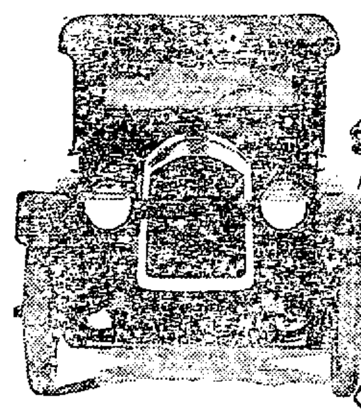

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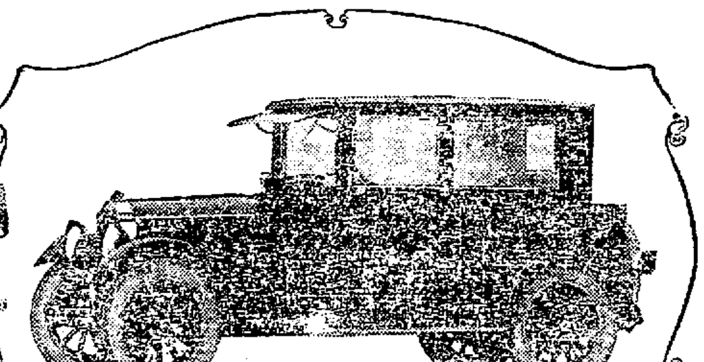

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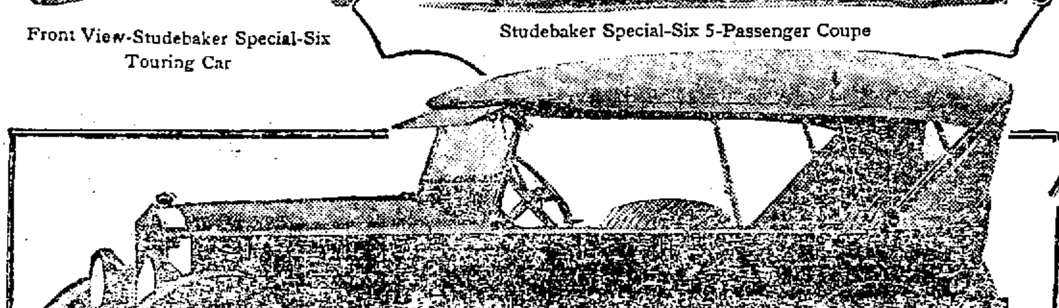

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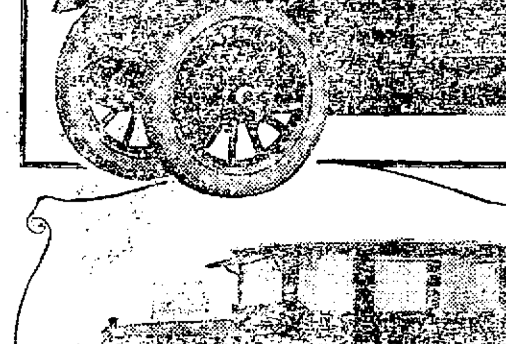

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Thought for the Day

By A. Garland Adair

INTELLECTUAL COURAGE

Martin W. Littleton, one of America's most distinguished lawyers, in an address before the Texas Bar Association in 1911 gave expression to this citizenship thought for today:

"You found this a good country to live in when you came here. You ought to leave it a better country to live in when you go away. Every man owes to the community in which he lives the best of his thought, the best of his impulse and the best of his courage, and whenever those impulses lead, it is best for him and best for his community, to make those things the leading things by which he is guided. What we need now more than all else is not physical courage, but what we need now is intellectual courage—the courage of the brain that thinks, the courage of your conclusions, the courage to say: 'Upon this thing I have thought. Upon this thing I have felt. Upon this thing I have concluded, and I owe this conclusion to the community in which I live, and I submit it without fear, because no man has a right to challenge me if I have given him the benefit of my convictions upon any public subject.'"

Madison People Up Early to See Elly's Struggle

By MILES W. VAUGHN,
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MADISON, Conn., Jan. 11.—Madison's populace—the whole thousand of it—was up bright and early today to witness the struggle of "Elly" Bassett, who grew up as a "handy" young man around the village, battle his way back into the confidence of his wife, who is the pride of the town girls' basketball team.

"Elly," as his home folks long have known him, is back, after resigning his job as personal representative of Nina Wilcox Putnam, a job which brought from his wife this week the charge that he had left his family for the noted novelist.

After two unsuccessful attempts to see Mrs. Bassett last night and explain, "Elly" and his wife spent the night in adjoining homes along the Boston Post road near the edge of this seaside village.

Mrs. Bassett remained with a girl friend and team-mate on the girls' basketball team while Bassett was housed by his friend, Harrison Dowd, a writer who also is a friend of Mrs. Putnam.

Among the first up in the village today was Bassett. He was ready for a fresh and supreme effort to see his wife and 4-year-old boy today.

"I have come more than half way," he told the United Press this morning. "I have come nine-tenths of the way; I am prepared to come still further if she will forget the hideous falsehoods she has been hearing about Mrs. Putnam—and come a little of the distance herself.

"I think she will talk to me when we meet face to face. We need only a few words together. She will believe me."

When Bassett arrived last night his coming had been rumored thruout the village. His call at the post office, where his wife works was the signal of many of the village folk turning out to greet him. It was all very jolly. They slapped him on the back, said "oh, you Elly", assumed postures of taking his picture, commented on his tweeds and his Florida tan, shook hands with him and wished him well. The attitude was that of friends who thought one of their number had pranked a bit and were interested in seeing how he made out with his best girl after a tiff.

After all, hadn't "Elly" grown up among them and of them, a lad who was his father's helper in clam digging. True, Nine Wilcox also had grown up among them but she had not mingled with them. She had grown away from them as she grew up. She is known rather as "the lady writer" than as "one of our girls."

But in the rear of the post office Mrs. Bassett was not as conciliatory or jovial. She sent out word that she would not see her husband.

"Tell him," she said, "to see my lawyer, Judge Zachary."

Bassett called his mother-in-law, Mrs. C. Petri, on the telephone later in a second attempt. "No, his wife was 'out.' No, he couldn't see his boy, Adrian, because 'he is in bed.'"

There was one more chance. There was a practice game scheduled between the high school girls' team and the town girls, among the latter of whom Mrs. Bassett is a star player.

Basketball is the main winter sport of the village. The theater which also is the basketball court, filled early as the townsfolk came to cheer their favorites. Among those present was "Elly." Then, as the high school girls began tossing baskets in warming up, the word was passed out that the town girls had defaulted the match.

Then, the full significance of the tiff between "Elly" and his wife struck the villagers, and the town already aroused from its customary winter calm, became stimulated to moderate excitement. "Elly" went out into the night again, somewhat crest fallen and dejected.

But this morning he was feeling more hopeful again. At noon Mrs. Bassett was to resume her usual duties at the public library and Bassett hoped to see her then if not before. But, he added, sqparing his shoulders, "I won't force myself upon her."

Meantime mutual friends of the Bassetts are smiling and waiting. They are inclined to the belief that it is a quarrel that will iron out because Mrs. Bassett still loves her husband. Most of them, however, think that she will take her time.

"You know—to teach 'Elly' a lesson," say these.

MEXIA BANKER GOES TO OAK CLIFF BANK

J. T. McMillan, former Active Vice President of the Farmers State Bank of this city has resigned his local relations with this financial institution to accept the cashiership of the Oak Cliff State Bank and Trust Company.

This well known banker succeeded Hardy Eubanks as Vice President of the local state bank, when the latter accepted the position as secretary of the Humphreys Oil Company. During the brief residence of Mr. McMillan here he formed many friends. He is considered an efficient banker, a man of pleasing personality and a citizen of a high order. His friends will regret to learn of his departure from Mexia but are glad to hear of his election to the cashiership of the Oak Cliff bank.

A notice in a local Dallas paper today states:

The resignation of Miss Mary Cook as cashier of the Oak Cliff State Bank and Trust Company was announced Thursday by W. N. Fullwood, president of that institution. Miss Cook resigned because of ill health.

Miss Cook came to the bank six years ago during the war and her advancement was rapid. She became cashier three years ago.

She enjoyed the distinction of having been the oinly woman cashier of a bank in Dallas.

J. T. McMillan has been elected as cashier of the bank. He has had wide banking experience over the state and was acting Commissioner of Insurance and Banking during the Hobby administration.

BELIEVED AMERICAN AVIATOR'S BODY IS FOUND IN CHANNEL

LONDON, Jan. 11—A body believed to be that of American Aviator Lawrence Sperry, who disappeared last month while trying to fly his flivver airplane across the English channel, was washed ashore near Rye, Sussex. Sperry had been flying the flivver plane in England, assisting in political campaigns. He decided on a cross channel flight and was last seen flying towards France. The next day the wreckage of the plane was found but no trace of the flyer.

WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company. Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company. Powell Five Hundred. Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas. 11E1

DEMONSTRATION HOME NEARING COMPLETION IN CITY

W. K. Boyd, president of the News Publishing Company, stated today that the J. K. Hughes Demonstration Home was nearing completion and would be a thing of attractive charm, a real contribution to Mexia and a step forward in the encouragement of a greater home building campaign here. A week will be set apart starting about next Thursday, at which time the public will be cordially invited to inspect every room and every phase of the place which is located near Ross Avenue on Main street. The finances for the home were tendered by J. K. Hughes. The contract let by Mr. Boyd for the News Publishing Company to Contractor and Builder Lawrence Ingram and the material was furnished by the J. R. Neece lumber company. Many calls have been made for the home which has already been rented. The details of expenses, etc. will be given with the announcement of its informal opening for inspection.

ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

By SLYBOOTS

After several days absence I found myself at Noon Thursday once more within the city limits of Mexia. No sooner had I gotten off the arin and had begun to make my way toward one of the establishments which guarantees to cure hunger in any form than I ran upon Dick Wagner, evidently upon the verge of manly tears. As I am guilty of an emotional nature myself I naturally paused to offer some sympathy and inquire the cause of his distress. With trembling voice he told me that Lizzie had died that morning. I was totally unprepared for such unfortunate news and after the first shock was over I asked the nature of the complaint with which she had expired. He said that he did not know. He had looked in the gasoline tank and it was full, the ignition system seemed to be in good condition and there seemed to be nothing wrong with the running gear but when he twisted the crank all the response he got was disheartening wheeze, so he finally decided that it was old age.

When I had paid fifty cents for thirty cents worth of beans and finished what the cook had left my thoughts wandered over toward the News office.

Because of the food that I had just eaten I was feeling rather drowsy but on opening the door of the News building I received the sudden impression that the fire alarm had been turned on. At once, however, I discovered that it was merely Major Houx sneezing. Major has a sneeze that is peculiar. At first it is a sneeze but at last it isn't. It sounds more like a Mohawk warhoon.

I noticed that Adair paid little attention to the sneeze but kept turning round and round and scratching the back of his head. He was either absorbing a cussing or writing the day's editorial, so I entered the editorial sanctum very gingerly and passed him a kind word. He jumped as if some one had shot him and glared at me until I began to consider a precipitate retreat. When I had satisfied him that I wasn't another walking "Hints for Editors" he assumed a more gentle aspect and demanded where I had been keeping myself. I informed him that I had been spending several days in a large Texas city checking up the methods by which the newspapers there had been securing the correct amount of building permits issued during the year.

After I had with some difficulty made a safe agress I proceeded down Commerce street in the direction of the Oasis where I found quite a large group of young men seemingly very much interested in some sort of a spectacle. I immediately joined the group and found the spectacle to be Pat Patterson evidently trying out some new advertising scheme. The scheme seemed to attract attention wonderfully but after one performance Pat evidently tired of it. At this point a sort of slope occures in the sidewalk and the scheme as I found it to be was to start at the top of the slope and descend hurridly to the foot with the stomach in intimate relationship with the concrete after the manner of a lizard. After making this decent Pat go to his feet and brushing off his clothes murmered an excuse to the sidewalk for his abrupt methods and disappeared into the Oasis. I concluded that this was no doubt the end of the performance and hastened on to other localities where my presence was urgently needed.

A CALOMEL YOU CAN SAFELY TAKE

Harshness of Ordinary Calomel Eliminated in Pepsinated Calomel, New English Calomel Treatment for Torpid Liver.

How many times have you heard that "calomel is the only sure way to reach the liver?" Your grandfather knew it, your mother knew it, your doctor knows it—you know it yourself! Calomel is the certain way to stimulate liver to healthy activity, but ordinary calomel is so harsh in its consequence that you can hardly be blamed for not wanting to take it.

There is no reason to deprive yourself of the fine effects of calomel since the discovery of Pepsinated Calomel. It is the best imported English calomel treated with pepsin. It has all the cleansing power of English Calomel, (recognized as the standard of purity), with the soothing qualities of pepsin so that you get the full benefit of calomel without griping, nausea or discomfort. Pepsinated Calomel is especially fine for children. They willingly take it when they cannot be bribed into taking disagreeable medicine.

Bennett's Drug Store and all reliable druggists recommend and guarantee Pepsinated Calomel to bring relief between sundown and sunup or your money refunded. Try it—we guarantee you'll feel better tomorrow. (Adv.)

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR MEETING POSTPONED

Frank E. Wilson, representative for the Christian Endeavor from Virginia, who was to have spoken at the Christian Church tonight will not be here on account of conflicting dates. All Christian Endeavors in the city are urged to take notice of the meeting's postponement.

DALLAS.—$2,000,000 vehicular viaduct proposed to link east and west sides of Trinity river.

PLUMBING and Gas Fitting

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Threaded Rubber Insulation gives a battery more "punch"—starting a cold engine more quickly.

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ARE GOING TO PARIS, TEXAS

—We had rather sell our goods lower than cost than to move them. Everything in our store is on sale. Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Shelves, Show Cases and some furniture and dishes.

—Come in and see us for you can save money.

BEIBER BROTHERS
BARGAIN STORE
Corner Main and Sherman Sts.

You Can Learn A Lot From Advertising

The main thing an advertiser wants to do is to tell you plainly just how and why his gods are worthy of your consideration. You can learn a great deal from that alone, because many things you see advertised are the things you buy and use in your regular daily life. By reading the advertisements, you can learn the names and read descriptions of the things that are best and most satisfactory.

But advertising teaches even more than that. All advertisers try to make their advertisements available to you. A good many people have learned a whole lot about good music, good books, good food, good clothes, ways to keep healthy, ways to live comfortably, ways to keep the house and grounds looking well—they have learned all these things and many other things just by reading advertisements.

Read the advertisements right along, and you will learn a great deal that will be helpful and valuable to you as you go through life.

The Famous Dry Goods Store's JANUARY REDUCTION SALE

COMMENCING SATURDAY JAN. 12TH

Thinks Jazz Will Pep Up Appetites

(By International News Service)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—American jazz is being used to increase English hunger.

William J. Wilson, an American theatrical producer, has been engaged by the Lyons chain restaurants to supervise their orchestras in the hope that increased attractiveness of restaurants orchestras will increase English stomach capacity.

"Jazz increases hunger," Wilson declares, "and it is my work to pep the restaurant jazz up to a point where it will cause the English appetite to grow and flourish."

Wilson has introduced into the restaurants under his charge some daring innovations for England. He has an idea that color enhances jazz and has perfected a series of charming panels which make it possible for an orchestra to play Japanese music with a Japanese background. Elizabethan music with an Elizabethan background and American jazz with a background which is a riot of color. Among other innovations introduced by Wilson are revolving bandstands, invisible orchestras led by a beautiful female leader, ghostly leaders for visible orchestras. The element of the theatre has been brought into resaturant music by Wilson.

Sir William Terry, organist at the Westminster Cathedral, has taken issue with Wilson and denounces many of his schemes for brightening the restaurant orchestras. "Why should a man check his mentality with his hat at the restaurant door?" Sir William asks. He opposes jazz in restaurants, but does congratulate the Lyons restaurants on their innovation of introducing operatic numbers in their musical programs.

Dallas Business Better Than Ever

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 11.—That business was better in 1923 than it was the preceding year is shown by the increase in the number of legal instruments filed with the county clerk.

For each of the 313 business days of the year, an average of 315 papers was filed, an increase of 56 a day over 1922, when an average of 259 was filed daily.

If you would banish avarice you must first banish luxury.—Greenville Morning News.

COMB SAGE TEA INTO GRAY HAIR

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea, with sulphur and alsohol added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get the ready-to-use preparation improved by the addition of other ingredients a large bottle, at little cost, at drug stores, known as "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," thus avoiding a lot of muss.

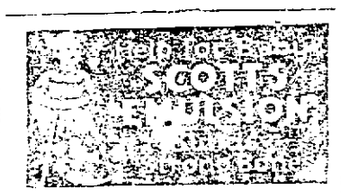
While gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared. After another application or two your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant and you appear years younger.—(Adv)

EPWORTH LEAGUE ENTERTAINS

In the contest between the reds and blues, the reds had the largest attendance during the month of December, so the party will be given in their honor. The party will be a kid party and will be given at the home of Mrs. A. B. Crider at 310 South Canton street. All members of the Epworth League are urged to be present.

The greatest motor magazine published, "The Annual Motor." A limited number on sale at Pioneer News Stand. 9-3

The Junker who says the Fatherland needs a helm doubtless means a Wilhelm.—Youngstown (O.) Vindicator.



NOTICE

Patterson Jewelry Co. is now located next door to Kemper & Phillips. Not connected with repair shop in shoe building in any way.

Snipe Dropped By Aviator Is New Fire Peril

(By International News Service)

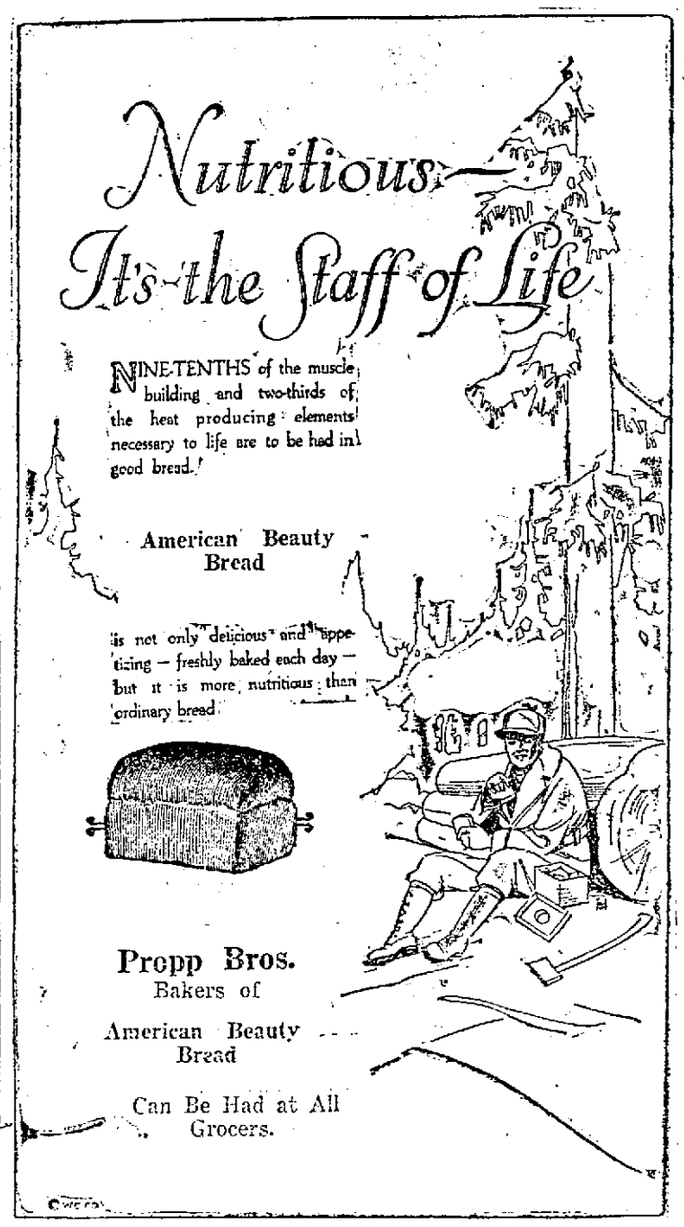
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 11.—A new fire hazard has been discovered by farmers in various sections of Ohio. It is the aviator, they believe.

Cigarette snipes thrown from his airplane by an aviator while circling over the farm of J. B. Alspach, Fairfield County, recently, are held responsible for a series of blazes causing loss estimated at $10,000.

Falling in dry grass, these snipes, farmers believe, started fires which were not extinguished until a barn on Alspach's farm was destroyed.

No worry about cooking or the dsihes when you eat at the Majestic Cafe. Meals served the family way at 50 cents.

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 10.—When the lights in the varsity gymnasium failed here last night 2,000 students waited more than an hour for the break to be repaired so the Texas-Southwestern basket ball game could be continued. The game was called, however, when no one could be found to make the repairs. When the lights went out, after two minutes of play, Texas was leading 3 to 2.



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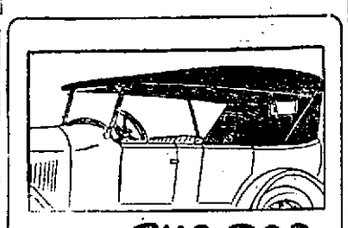

THE TOP IS Important

WILL IT WITHSTAND WINTER WINDS AND RAIN?

Now is the time to repair that worn top. The winter months are ahead of us. A winter top adjusted of our special design will make your open car surpassed only by the more expensive closed models. The comfort and protection you will receive from this top will more than prove that you have made a wise investment. See us at once for prices, etc.

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Dodge Owners Attention!

NORTH EAST SERVICE STATION

This company has been appointed official North East Service Station and factory representative in this territory.

You will now be able to get the same service on your cars electrical system that you would from the factory. As we were required to put in a complete stock of parts and the most up-to-date equipment for doing this work, you can rest assured that you will get a thoroughly workman-like job at a reasonable price and one that we can GUARANTEE.

ELECTRIC SERVICE CO.

300 EAST COMMERCE ST.—PHONE 681

Attention Housekeepers

Buy your heating stoves now before it gets cold. I have a large stock of all kinds of Heaters, Cook Stoves, Dishes, Aluminum Vessels of all kinds. In fact, I carry most anything to be found in a modern hardware store for the housekeeper.

Attention Farmers

I sell the celebrated line of Oliver Implements, Peter Schuttler Wagons, Birdsell Wagons, Hercules Buggies. I am headquarters for the good old handmade harness that wears like a pig's nose. The best collars, bridles and lines as cheap as good ones can be sold.

All Kinds of Guns and Ammunition.

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SPECIAL NEW YEAR PRICES

Why Not Begin a New Year with New Furniture!

We can sell you new Kitchen Cabinets, Gas Stoves, Oil Stoves, Walnut and Mahogany Dining Room Suites, Walnut, Ivory and Mahogany Bed Room Suites for 15% off. Congoleum and Linoleum 10% off.

We handle some second hand furniture.

Whether you buy or not, we are always glad to see you.

By City Hall Mexia — WALTON'S — By Post Office Corsicana

WHAT ABOUT THEM?

There's no distress like widowhood! Particularly is this true where no money or estate is left for her surviving days.

Do you want to leave your widow, your mother or your children in that position? Are you going to impose upon their inexperience?

Come to us and let's talk it over. Let your Life Insurance policy be the protection policy. We have many interesting plans at moderate costs.

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The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

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Bringing Up Father Appears Daily in The Mexia Daily News
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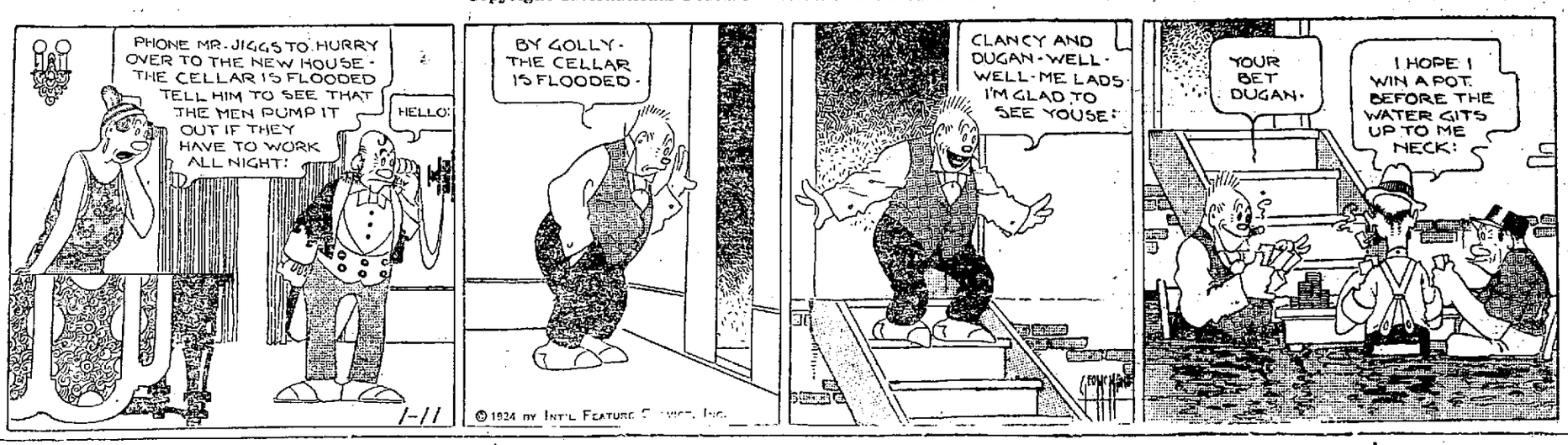
By George McManus



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

CLASSIFIED RATES—One cent a word for each insertion. No single ad taken for less than 25 cents. Everybody reads these little ads. so if you want to buy or sell, or have lost or found any article, here is where you can get good results. No advertisement accepted over the telephone except from those who have a Regular Charge Account.

DID YOU KNOW that there are many changes daily in Mexia's rooming houses. These individuals watch this column constantly for available rooms. The column offers its service in helping rent your rooms. Give particulars in your ad. That's what the reader wants.

HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—Nursing by experienced nurse. Obstetrical cases a specialty. Terms reasonable. Phone 557-J. 2A20

WANTED: Obstetrical cases by experienced nurse. Terms reasonable. Phone 557-J. 30A30

AN INTELLIGENT PERSON, either sex, may earn $100 to $200 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $15 to $25 weekly in spare time; experience unnecessary; no canvassing; subjects suggested. Send for particulars. National Press Bureau, Buffalo, N. Y. 3A3

GENERAL AGENT for a practical and useful household utility to work Limestone County, also canvassers. Will make money and friends for you. Write to Henry Woods, 1307 Caroline street, Houston, Texas. 11A7

POSITIONS WANTED—B

WANTED—Obstetrical cases by experienced nurse. Phone 557-J. 30B28

TRADES—C

WANTED—To tune your piano. Best local reference. Hall Music Co., next door Daily News. 8C2

LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Between Coolidge and Waco—Razor Roll, containing barber sheers, razers, combs, and tweezers. Return to club barber shop, Mexia or notify Burnham and Fehr, Austin, Texas. Reward. 9D2

LOST—Female pointer, liver and white; scar on right fore leg; had on 1-2-inch leather strap with small ring; trim-built. $5.00 reward for return to H. O. & R. office. 11D4

LOST—Between Groesbeck and Mexia spare tire, tire rim and carrier with license No. 375-309 attached. Call W. A. Buckner at 42 or 291. 8D1

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10tf.

Firpo cannot count, says a writer. But people who have seen Louis wandling the gate receipts will never believe it.

FOR SALE—J

FORD SIZE tires at special cheap prices. Phone 711. Ben W. Jackson Filling Station and Garage, corner Carthage and Denton streets. 7J4

WILL SELL 22 room apartment furnished at 812 East Palestine street cheap for cash, or will give easy terms on a small cash payment or may take a '23 or '24 Cherrolet or trade for Dallas property as first payment. Call or write 1224 First Ave., Dallas, Texas. 3J7

WILL SELL 22 room furnished apartment at 812 East Palestine street cheap for cash or will trade for Dallas property or take small cash payment, balance to suit. Joseph Trudgeon, 1224 First Ave., Dallas, Texas. 11J7

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—One 5 room house also two or three rooms furnished light housekeeping apartments. Close in. See them. 201 N. Bonham St. Phone 683-X. 6K7

FOR RENT—Two room furnished cottage. Modern; close in, also one large unfurnished room. Phone 557-J or call at 404 East Carthage. 9K3

FOR RENT—7 room house furnished, all modern conveniences on paved street. 610 East Carthage street. Phone 50W or 420. 10K3

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633. 8L26

CITY HOTEL—All outside rooms, $1 per day. Special rates by week. Corner McKinney and Palestine. 20-26

FOR RENT—Two or three room completely furnished apartment for housekeeping. Gas lights and water; also furnished three room shack. Rent very reasonable. Call 269-J. 712 E. Titus. 9L7

FOR RENT—Furnished light housekeeping rooms. Close in, 515 N. Sherman. 9L7

FOR RENT—Two comfortable two room apartments, $18.00 per month each; gas, water and lights. 407 S. Kaufman. Phone 218. 9L3

FOR RENT—Furnished two room apartments, close in, modern conveniences, sink in kitchen. Phone 156L or apply 411 South Kaufman. 9L3

FURNISHED ROOMS—Hot and cold water, nicely furnished, suitable for business men; close in. 619 East Commerce street. 9L1

FOR RENT—To couple, apartment; two rooms and sleeping porch, partly furnished or unfurnished, modern conveniences, southeast exposure. Call at 802 East Main. Phone 276. 11L2

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished apartment for couple, hot and cold water, close in and on pavement. 502 East Main street. 11L2

NOTICE—C. Felz has opened a cash feed store on Paris street. One block East of City Hall. 10P7

SPORT SPARKS

By LES CONKLIN
(International News Service Staff Correspondent)

Horseshoe pitchers will soon hold annual contest. Some of the Giants' pitchers ought to enter the competition—from the way they got by last season they must have been pitching with a horseshoe.

Sport writers will pick champion lightweight of all time. How about the butcher?

Army buck private will play for Connie Mack's outfit. Out of the frying pan into the fire.

Big league manager says his pitchers are so wild that even the Mexican sharpshooters would ask waivers on them.

Wife of colored heavyweight says she never has to worry about laundry bills because her husband throws all of the family towels into the ring.

Pool player sued for divorce. Instead of minding his p's, he spent too much time with his cues.

When a golfer has a bad lie he usually tells one just as bad when turning in his score.

Married men are bound to be a bit skeptical in regard to Dempsey's statement that he will not fight after he takes a wife.

Blake Smith was a Powell visitor Thursday where he went in connection with the drilling of shallow wells by the E. L. Smith Oil Company in that field.

Pay your poll tax.

IF BACK HURTS FLUSH KIDNEYS

When your kidneys hurt and your back feels sore, don't get scared and proceed to load your stomach with a lot of drugs that excite the kidneys and irritate the entire urinary tract. Keep your kidneys clean like you keep your bowels clean, by flushing them with a mild, harmless salts which helps to remove the body's urinous waste and stimulate them to their normal activity.

The function of the kidneys is to filter the blood. In 24 hours they strain from it 500 grains of acid and waste, so we can readily understand the vital importance of keeping the kidneys active.

Drink lots of good water—you can't drink too much; also get from any pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help clean and stimulate clogged kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they are no longer a source of irritation, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to help keep their kidneys clean and active. Try this; also keep up the water drinking, and no doubt you will wonder what became of your kidney trouble and backache. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year. —(Adv.)

A. C. McBride was a visitor to Mexia Monday from Waco.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate: Foreign Relations Committee meets.

Government reorganization committee continues hearings.

Agriculture committee continues hearings.

House: Considers interior appropriation bill.

Ways and Means Committee continues tax consideration.

Agriculture committee continues hearings on farm relief bills.

According to an announcement by Rev. W. B. Andrews, pastor, the First Methodist Church will be the center of a revival, culminating Easter Sunday. Mr. Andrews stated that he was making the announcement at present so that the membership might make their plans accordingly. He also stated that no outside help would be called in for the evangelical services, but that every Christian in the city is urged and will be urged to help make the meeting one of great success.

Edgar Johnson, a prominent attorney and oil man of Breckenridge, has been a business visitor here for the past few days. He was accompanied by C. A. Dawson.

A republic is a land in which statesmen wonder anxiously every four years what the people want.—Springfield Register.

NOTICE

Bids will be received by the City Secretary of the City of Mexia up to five o'clock of Jan. 15th, 1924 for the paving N. Kaufman Street from the north line of Sumpter Street to city limits. Plans and specifications on file at the office of the City Engineer.

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E. WATSON, Mayor,
(3-10t) R. D. MORGAN, City Secy.

CANDIDATES
Announcements
1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN

James Blair Harris of Dallas was a business visitor in Mexia Thursday.

Pay your poll tax.

H. & T. C.
EFFECTIVE 12:01 A. M. JUNE 17th.

North bound—
345 From cut-off ..... 1:47 p. m.
15 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:44 p. m
31 Dallas Ft. Worth .....12:50 p. m.
37 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 5:14 a. m.
17 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 4:35 a. m.
19 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:55 a. m.

South bound—
346 To cut-off ..... 7:00 a. m.
16 Houston San Antonio....11:45 a. m.
32 From Dallas .....10:08 a. m.
38 Austin San nAtonio .....12:21 a. m.
18 Houston San Antonio .. 1:37 a. m.
20 Houston San Antonio ..12:16 a. m.

T. & B. V.
North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.

South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

Marion M. Brown H. C. Maxwell
Drs. Brown & Maxwell
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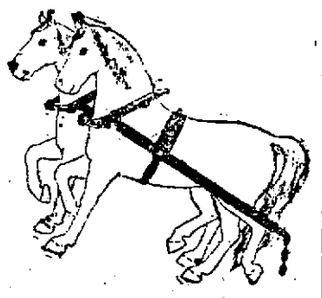

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When Embroidery Adorns a Frock

Dress Designed To Be Hand-made

To say that a little frock is hand-made does not mean that it is difficult to make. One takes it that the model is carried out after a smart Paris model and in the daintiest manner possible—as, for instance, this little white batiste.

The method of making this dress is very simple and the three different stitches required for the seams and trimming are easy to understand. To begin with, the dress calls for 1½ yards of batiste 36 inches wide—very fine and soft in quality. For the yoke there will be needed 2/8 of a yard of dainty allover embroidery.

After the dress has been cut, it is joined together with French seams. To make the French seams (Fig. I) baste the dress right side out, then with hand-stitching (Fig. III) make a seam about ¼ of an inch outside of the seam line. Trim the edges down closely, remove bastings and press the seam together. Turn the garment to the reverse side and encase the raw trimmed edges by basting them inside of a seam a quarter of an inch wide. Be sure that the edges are well covered.

The roll seam (Fig. II) is used in joining the yoke to the dress. To make it, trim both edges of the material evenly, holding the edges together. Roll together the top thread of the edges of yoke and dress two or three times. Begin from the back of the work and whip the roll very closely together, being careful that the stitches come entirely under the roll and not through it. Draw the thread tightly.

For the running stitch, better known as hand-stitching, first fasten the thread with small back stitches.

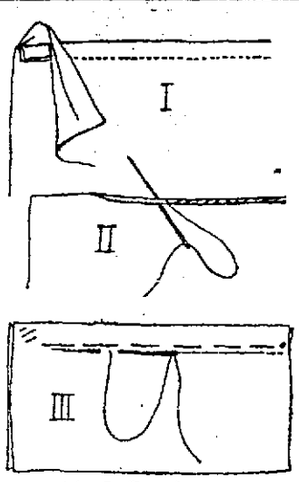

Fig. I—French Seam
Fig. II—Rolled and Whipped Seam
Fig. III—Hand Stitching

With dainty work have the needle and thread as fine as possible and take up several of these small stitches on a needle. Draw the needle through and continue until the seam is finished.

If it is desired to make the dress more decorative than the addition of an embroidery yoke [illegible] lles, the yoke may be put on with [illegible]ining or a narrow embroidery insertion.

FIVE RING CHAMPIONS TO PASS IN 1924

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Several young men who were sitting high and handsome this time last year as ring champions are now members in good standing of that widely represented "Once Was" club.

Several of the young men who are now out in front have been proposed for membership in the "Has Beens" and they'll be eligible for admission before another year rolls around.

If for no other reason than there is a potent law of average that does tricks, five and maybe more champions will pass out in 1924.

This is only a guess, and it's not worth more than any guess.

Five world's champions slipped away in 1923 and the same number are dangerously near the slide this year, because they seem to lack the class to hold them up against stiff competition.

Jack Dempsey, Benny Leonard and Mickey Walker will not lose their titles this year.

Dempsey and Leonard are too good to be in danger from any opponent they may have to meet, and Walker is safe because he will not take a chance.

Mike McTigue is sure to lose the light-heavyweight championship the first time he meets a good contender.

Harry Greb is slipping and he will have more trouble making the middleweight limit as he grows older.

Johnny Dundee will lose the featherweight championship because he has gone back greatly and age is beginning to show on him.

Joe Lynch, the worst of all the title holders, will lose the bantamweight championship, if he can be forced to meet a good contender.

Pancho Villa will drop the flyweight championship because he is getting too heavy for the class and he is none too safe as he is now.

Dempsey will not defend his title more than two times because the purses that he would receive in three big fights would put him in a class in the income tax law where he would have to turn over to the government practically all of the purse of his third fight.

It was this little tax difficulty that forced Dempsey to call off the year's activity last year after the Firpo fight.

NORTH CAROLINA HAS BIG INCREASE IN COTTON SPINDLES

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., Jan. 11.—(United Press.)—In the great industrial drama, which marks the shift of the center of gravity of the American cotton industry from the northeast to the eastern cotton states, North Carolina plays the leading part.

Her spinning industry has hit a pace so rapid that no other state north or south of the Mason and Dixon line seems to be able to keep up with her in this respect.

During the last two decades the nation has increased its cotton spindles less than 50 per cent, while in North Carolina the increase has been more than 186 per cent, according to the University of North Carolina extension service. Massachusetts alone possesses a greater number of spindles than the Tarheel state now.

North Carolina has 18 per cent of the spindlage in America. Massachusetts has 29 per cent. In 1901 the figures were 36.3 per cent for the New England state and barely 8 per cent for North Carolina.

The industry in the central and western sections of the state is rapidly expanding, while more and more mills are being erected in the eastern, or tidwater section.

THE WEATHER

East Texas—Tonight fair and warmer. Saturday partly cloudy and warmer in east; colder in extreme northwest.

West Texas—Tonight and Saturday partly cloudy; probably snow flurries in Panhandle; warmer tonight in southeast; colder Saturday except in southeast.

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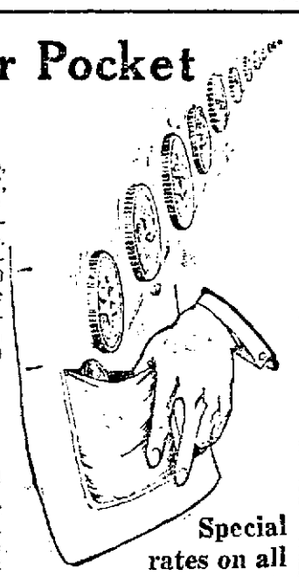

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Mortuary Statistics For Dallas In 1923 Shows Big Increase

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 11.—A new record for Dallas was set last year in the number of violent deaths that occurred, according to police records, which show 140 persons met violent deaths during the past 12 months.

A total of 40 homicidal deaths occurred during the year, the last one on December 31 when S. H. Ramsey was shot and killed in an altercation with his wife.

Motor vehicles claimed 33 victims during the year. Thirty were killed by automobiles while three received fatal injuries from motorcycles.

Nine persons died from heat, which is also a record for the city.

According to the homicide record gunshot wounds caused 38 deaths; stabbing one and beating one.

Seven persons were crushed to death in 1923 in Dallas.

Falling walls, cave-ins and falling weights are included in the list.

Accidental discharge of fire-arms claimed four lives. Seven died from accidental poisoning while two met death by lightning.

Twenty-three persons committed suicide, 12 choosing poison; eight using pistols and one, a knife.

Eleven persons burned to death and three died from electric shock. One death resulted from poisoned food.

And in the midst of plenty, four Dallasites died from starvation.

PIG'S AFFECTION FOR COW SAVES HIS NECK

(By International News Service)

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Jan. 10.—A little pig's affection for a cow will save him from the butcher.

Born in a slaughter house, the little porker was presented to O. K. Reed, Nevada cattleman, who took it to the Longstreet Ranch near here.

At the ranch the five-pound pig espied a cow nursing a calf. He took advantage of the cow's reclining position and "nosed in" for dinner. As the calf was almost weaned the pig returned regularly at meal times.

The foster mother accepted her obligation, and whenever the porker approached lay down to provide nourishment.

The pig now weighs 200 pounds, strictly milk-fed.

Reed declares this pig will never go to market.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 11.—Rain caused postponement until tonight of the 12-round bout between Eddie O'Dowd, Columbus and Harry Gordon, New York, bantams.

PEORIA, Ill.—Patsy Rocco, East Chicago middleweight, has been matched with Alex Trambits, California scrapper for the main bout of a show here tonight.

MIAMI, Fla.—Young Stribling, Georgia light heavyweight, knocked out Mike Nestor, New York, in the fifth round.

NEW YORK.—Jack Zivic, Pittsburgh light weight, won a 12-round decision from Pete August, Bridgeport.

HOLTON WELL IS GASSING—REPORT

(Groesbeck Journal)

The Holton well of the Pure Oil Company, three miles west of Groesbeck, is gassing at around 2940 feet. According to reports, the well began making gas as soon as the plug was drilled out Monday supposedly from a same sand that was encountered in both the Welch and Brown wells at a corresponding depth. Preparations are being made to drill the well deeper and to the Woodbine sand with cable tools.

There is much speculation about what the well will show when it reaches the Woodbine sand. The Welch well, about half a mile north a few hundred feet west of the Holton well showed a good flow of oil and gas in the sand reached just after passing through the first gas sand and doubtless would have been a producing oil well had it not been drilled into salt water. About half a mile south and a few hundred feet west the Brown well was drilled which developed into a monster gas well at a depth corresponding to the depth of the Welch well which showed good for oil production. In both the Welch well and the Brown well, it is said that a gas sand was opened just before reaching the oil in the Welch and the big gas found in the Brown well. Only the drill will determine whether the Holton well, now cautiously proceeding to the other sand, will be an oil well or another gasser as big or bigger than the Brown. Each side has its advocates and its geological backing, and either may be right. In either case the next day or two will determine.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate: Not in session.

House: Continues consideration Interior Department bill.

Committee on Foreign Affairs considers shipment arms to Mexico.

Ways and Means Committee considers tax bill.

Agriculture Committee considers farm relief.

Snowdrift is made by the Wesson Oil people

Local News

C. A. Halnal was here from Denison Wednesday.

J. F. Cook of Corsicana was here Wednesday.

J. B. Jones was here Wednesday from Calvert.

Will Tubb was in the city from Waco Wednesday.

G. H. Hansen of Waco was in the city Thursday.

Jim Frazier was in the city Thursday afternoon.

J. A. Bowen of Waco was in Mexia last Wednesday.

J. E. Henderson of Ennis was in Mexia Wednesday.

T. Edgar Johnson of Cisco was in the city Wednesday.

W. C. Price of Waco was a Thursday visitor to Mexia.

W. Box was a Wednesday visitor to Mexia from Sonanton.

L. C. Evans was a visitor to Mexia Wednesday from West.

H. H. and C. Groeneman of Oakwood were visitors to Mexia Wednesday.

Dewey Miller, of Tehuacana was in Mexia Thursday afternoon on business.

A. A. Hyden of Groesbeck was a visitor here Friday on a visit with relatives.

Mrs. P. M. Box has returned to her home here, following a very delightful five weeks trip to New Orleans and Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Myers of Corsicana spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cartwright of 510 North Rusk street.

Roy Akin, Jr., has enlisted in the United States Navy and has gone to Sandiego, Cal. for training. The best wishes of his friends here will follow him.

Clifford Brown local agent for the Curtis Publishing Company is spending the week-end in Dallas attending a meeting of the company. He will return home Sunday.

WOMAN FINED

Thursday afternoon, Constable Joe Felz and Policeman Kennedy raided a house in the northwest part of town near the T. and B. V. railroad and arrested Mrs. Mattie Farrow on charges of having in her possession intoxicating liquors, and vagrancy. According to the officers about eight ounces of corn whiskey in a half gallon fruit jar was found, and the remains of several other jars originally containing liquor were found on the railroad right of way near the house.

The woman was released after paying a large fine.

MEXIA PRAISED BY SALVATION ARMY FOR SPLENDID CAMPAIGN

W. B. Landrum, chairman of the Salvation Army drive in Mexia, was a visitor in Dallas this week, where he had a conference with Colonel Geo. Woods, head of the Southwestern Division. The remarkable campaign in Mexia attracted favorable comment from Colonel Woods and the story of Mexia's success is being carried to corps all over the division.

Richard Dix in the Paramount Picture "The Call of the Canyon"

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